



Sri Lanka

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Average Max Tem of	31	30	31	32	31	31	30	30	30	30	30	30
Average rainfall (ins)	2	2	3	5	9	7	6	7	10	9	8	9

SRI LANKA

Currency:
Sri Lanka Rupee

Time Difference:
GMT + 6

Visa:
None required for Irish
passport holders

Vaccinations:
No compulsory
vaccinations however the
following are
recommended; Hepatitis
A, Typhoid, Polio. Please
consult your GP before
travelling.

Marco Polo described Sri Lanka as “Undoubtedly the finest island of its size in the world”. Sri Lanka, the Isle of Serendipity is a tourist paradise, a tropical island of golden beaches and blue waters. Famed for the amazing diversity of its culture, the natural beauty of the landscape and a complex history dating back to 543 BC.

One can choose from a variety of activities from lazing on one of the beautiful beaches to diving in coral reefs, observing the wildlife, mountain hikes through tea estates or wandering through the ruins of ancient temples and palaces. Sri Lanka has something for everyone.

The Capital of Sri Lanka, Colombo is a metropolitan city which keeps pace with modern developments while preserving the Old World charms.

Among the many places of interest in the City are the Fort, the Old Parliament House, Temples and Mosques. It is fast becoming the shopping centre of South Asia with highly competitive duty free prices.

The Southern coastal belt is the most popular and comes alive mainly from October through April when the monsoon moves north east and the sea becomes calm with blue skies as it is the perfect place to spend the winter vacation. The main beach resorts are at Beruwala, Bentota, Galle and Hikkaduwa with stunning hotels each with exclusive beachfronts.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Pinawela Elephant Orphanage: Visit at feeding and bathing time
- 1,600 km of unspoilt golden beaches
- Yala: Largest National Park of the island, animals to spot include: Elephant, Leopard, Elk and the enigmatic Sloth bear
- Polonnaruwa: Medieval capital contains magnificent buildings that have survived intact throughout the ages
- Sigiriya Rock Fortress: Regarded as one of the wonders of the world
- Nuwara Eliya: Visit the Tea Plantations, sampling arguably the best Tea in the world
- Mihintale: Explore this city of caves, temples and ruins, where Buddhism first took hold on the island
- White Water Rafting
- Temple of the tooth: Housing the sacred tooth of Buddha
- Excellent surfing

The Beach Negombo



A member of the Small Luxury Hotels of the world, this beautiful hotel lies nestled among the palm trees, along a beautiful sun-kissed beach in the coastal town of Negombo and just 20 minutes from the airport.

Accommodations: Spacious, tastefully decorated rooms with king sized beds, luxury bathtubs, separate rain shower, TV and DVD. Each room has a west facing window 'wall' leading directly onto a private balcony with a wide lounging terrace.

Facilities: Beautiful swimming pool and excellent cuisine. By night, the Hotel's stunning elegance is accentuated even more. Tennis watersports, gym, 4 bars, a beautiful Spa and much more.

CLASSIC SPECIALS: Free nights



Saman Villas Bentota



Perched magnificently on a rocky headland that divides two golden beaches. This enchanting, recently refurbished hotel is small, perfectly located and beautifully designed, making it an unequalled private paradise resort.

Accommodations: 27 exclusive guest rooms designed in the traditional Sri Lankan style, luxuriously furnished with an openair bathroom, dressing room, sleeping deck, CD, lounge area and veranda offering magnificent views.

Facilities: Excellent gourmet dining overlooking the sea and the pool area, a new spa facility, private swimming pools, fitness centre, private dining and excellent water sports.

CLASSIC SPECIALS: Free nights - Honeymoon offers



The Fortress



A combination of Dutch and Portuguese styles, this Per Aquam hotel sets a new standard of accommodation in Sri Lanka. A boutique property with a beachfront setting.

Accommodations: 49 very special rooms, with a/c telephone, TV, DVD, minibar, tea/coffee making facilities, bath and shower. There are two floor ocean-lofts with plunge pool and residences with pool.

Facilities: Freeform pool with massage jets, 2 restaurants, wine cellar, tea tasting bar, lime spa with sauna, fitness centre, kids zone and internet access.

CLASSIC SPECIALS: Free nights



Cultural Sri Lanka

5 Days/4 Nights (+ Yala Extension)

Departs: Colombo. Starts: Colombo. Finishes: Colombo or Chosen Beach Hotel

Day 1

On arrival met by your representative and transfer to Dambulla (aprx 4 hrs drive)
Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight stay at Amaya Lake, Dambulla or similar.

Day 2

After early breakfast visit & climb the Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Afternoon proceed to Polonnaruwa for sightseeing. Overnight stay at Amaya Lake, Dambulla or similar.

Day 3

After breakfast proceed to Kandy, enroute visit the Spice Garden & Batik Factory at Matale. Afternoon commence city tour of Kandy with visits to Temple of the Tooth Relic and Royal Botanical Gardens. Evening witness the Sri Lankan Cultural show. Overnight stay at Amaya Hills, Kandy or similar.

Day 4

After breakfast visit the Elephant Orphanage at Pinnawela. Thereafter proceed to Nuwara Eliya. Overnight stay at Galway Forest Lodge, Nuwara Eliya or similar.

Day 5

After breakfast drop of at beach resort in Bentota or Negombo via Kithulgala. For customers departing to Ireland or Maldives/Dubai we suggest they stay one extra night in Colombo as the transfer from Nuwara Eliya to the Airport will take aprx 5 1/2 hrs on winding roads (Nuwara Eliya is a hill station).

The Yala Extension

2 Nights/3 Days

Day 5: Yala

After breakfast proceed to Yala, enroute visit the Ravana Ella water falls. Late afternoon visit the Yala National Park by jeep. Overnight stay at Yala Village Hotel, Yala.

Day 6:

Early morning visit the Yala National Park by jeep. Overnight stay at Yala Village Hotel, Yala.

Day 7:

After breakfast drop of at beach resort in Bentota or Negombo. For customers departing to Ireland or Maldives/Dubai we suggest they stay one extra night in Colombo as the transfer from Yala to the Airport will take aprx 7 hrs.

Tour price pp sharing from:
5 day tour €395

Supplements: One extra night in to visit Anuradhapura €90 per person sharing

Yala extension: 2 night extension from Nuwara Eliya to Yala with 2 jeep safari's €295 per person

INCLUDED:

- Accommodation on BB basis at hotels specified or similar
- Transport in a private air-conditioned car with the services of an English speaking chauffeur guide
- Applicable entrance fees
- Meet & greet at the airport
- 1 bottle of mineral water per day on tour
- Cold towels where necessary
- Souvenir on departure

EXCLUDED:

- Dinner & lunch on tour
- Camera & video permits at Cultural sights
- All expenses of a personal nature

