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Discover the vibrant city of Colombo, journey to ancient wonders, Sigirya and Dambulla Temple. Encounter wildlife at Minneriya National Park and Polonnaruwa, and indulge in marine adventures at Trincomalee's Fort Fredrick, Pigeon Island, and Nilawali Beach!



## Day one Welcome to Sri Lanka

Visit the Lotus Tower

*DID YOU KNOW: The Lotus Tower, built in 2012, is the tallest self-supported structure in South Asia, and the 11th tallest tower in Asia.*

Dutch Hospital for lunch

*DID YOU KNOW: The Dutch hospital dates back to the 1600s, initially designed as a hospital for the soldiers of the Dutch East India Company.*

Visit Colombo's temples, Seema Malaka and Gangaramaya Temple

*DID YOU KNOW: Seema Malaka was designed in 1985 by Geoffrey Bawa, Sri Lanka's most famous architect of his time, and the father is "tropical modernism".*



## Day two Sigirya Rock and Dambulla

Starting with a drive to Sigirya Rock

*DID YOU KNOW: Sigiriya was once a royal city, known as Lion Rock. It is also said to be the eighth wonder of the world and is listed as a UNESCO world heritage site.*

*We recommend you bring comfortable shoes and clothes as it's a 200m climb to the top. Fear not! It's worth the hike, we promise!*

Next stop will be Dambulla to see the ancient Rock temple

*DID YOU KNOW: Dambulla dates back to the first century AD and is home to Sri Lanka's Cave temple, a complex network of five cave temples adorned with intricate Buddhist murals and over 150 Buddha statues.*



## Day three The Ancient Monastery of Ritigala

Head to the ancient monastery of Ritigala - a unique opportunity to explore an off-the-beaten path of archaeological sites, steeped in history and natural beauty  
*DID YOU KNOW: The Ritigala monastery dates back to the 1st century BCE and is believed to have been a thriving monastic complex during the ancient Anuradhapura period. It's said to be the spot from which Hanuman (the monkey god) leapt to India to tell Rama that he had discovered where Sita was being held by the demon king of Lanka.*



## Day four

### Meeting Sri Lanka's wildlife

We will be starting the day nice and early with a wild safari at Minneriya National Park – home to Asian elephants, spotted deer and bird of paradise

*DID YOU KNOW: Minneriya Park is best known for its elephant migration where in the dry season, over 300 elephants congregate at the Minneriya water tank.*

Next, we will be heading to the ancient city of Polonnaruwa

*DID YOU KNOW: Located in the North Central Province, Polonnaruwa served as the country's capital from the 11th to the 13th century when Kings ruled the central plains of Sri Lanka and it was a thriving commercial and religious centre. It is also one of Sri Lanka's eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites.*



## Day five:

### Exploring Sri Lanka's abundant marine life

Head to Trincomalee, where we will explore Fort Fredrick, Koneshwaram temple and Nilawali beach

*DID YOU KNOW: Trinco, an ancient seaport, is the fifth largest natural harbour in the world.*

In the afternoon, we will take a trip to Pigeon Island, where you can enjoy walks on the beautiful white sandy beaches and snorkelling through the coral gardens and crystal clear waters.

*DID YOU KNOW: Pigeon Island is one of two of Sri Lanka's marine national parks. It is home to a 200-meter-long and 100-meter-wide coral reef, with over 100 species of coral reef and reef fish.*

\*With all our tours, there is an option for airport pickup and transfer. Just let us know your flight details and we will do the rest!

\*Please note that all tours are subject to change depending on weather and activity availability.

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