



GRANDLOTUS TRAVEL & TOURS

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7DAYS TOUR - ITINERARY - 5

DAY 1 KUALA LUMPUR – COLOMBO

Arrive in Sri Lanka on flight. Clients will be met by a representative of Hemtours transferred to Negombo.
Overnight stay at hotel, Negombo.

DAY 2 KANDY

After breakfast leave for Kandy. En route visit a * Spice Garden at Mavanella and see the luscious, Cinnamon, Cardamoms, Pepper plants etc. You can also purchase your requirements of spices. Afterwards visit a * Batik Factory where you can see the manufacture of beautiful Batik prints.

On arrival in Kandy commence city tour, including Upper Lake Drive, Market Square, Arts & Crafts Centre, gem museum and Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic.

* Kandy - the hill capital, venue of the annual Perahera. The last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings was finally ceded to the British in 1815. Kandy is an example of the Buddhism's influence in Sri Lanka today. Temple's shrines and monasteries keeping alive Buddhist traditions are everywhere.

* Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic - ever since 4th Century A.D, when the Buddha's Tooth was brought to Sri Lanka hidden from sacrilegious hands in an Orissan princess' hair, the Relic has grown in repute and holiness in Sri Lanka and throughout the Buddhist world. It is considered Sri Lanka's most prized possession.

Evening witness the cultural dance performance.

Overnight stay at hotel, Kandy.

DAY 3 NUWARA ELIYA

After breakfast proceed Nuwara Eliya. En route visit a tea factory & plantation. Rest of the afternoon at leisure or free to explore the scenic surroundings of * Nuwara Eliya - The 'Little England' of Sri Lanka, is set against beautiful backdrops of Mountains, Valleys, Waterfalls and Tea Plantations. It is supposed to be one of the coldest places on the island, but is really just like an England spring day although the temperature does drop at night. All around Nuwara Eliya you will see evidence of the British influence. Houses are like country cottages or Queen Ann style mansions.

Evening visit * Seetha Eliya Kovil – 7 kms on the Nuwara Eliya - Bandarawela road, bordering the Hakkgala Strict Nature Reserve is the area called Seetha Eliya, where a quaint little devala is found by the side of the road at a slightly lower elevation by a stream.

The Devala "Seetha Amman Kovil" is the only one in Sri Lanka (or may be in the whole world) dedicated to Seetha, Queen of Rama (another form of Shiva) in the famous Indian Epic called Ramayanaya. According to this epic, RAVANA, King of Sri Lanka, abducts Seetha and brings her here in his wooden flying machine -"Dandu-Monara". She was kept in hiding in the 13 palaces of Ravana, until Rama comes here with an army of monkeys and rescues her. In the Devala are the Statues of Seetha, Rama, Hanuman-the Monkey God, and Lakshmana, represented as gods. Seetha Eliya is the area where she used to go for bathing. A cave on the summit of Hakgala is believed to be one of the hiding places, and the Strict Nature Reserve is believed to be the "Ashok Vanaya" of the Ramayanaya.

Overnight stay at hotel, Nuwara Eliya.

DAY 4 KATARAGAMA

After breakfast leave for Kataragama. Afternoon leisure at hotel. Evening attend the 'Pooja Ceremony'.

* Kataragama - Kataragama is a place of worship not only for Hindus, but for Buddhists, Muslims and some Christians as well. Kataragama Devala is situated by the Menik Ganga (river). Still, the major part of devotees who actively participate in the Kataragama Festival are Hindus, as the proceeding honour Skanda (also known as Murugan), the deity of Kataragama. Overnight stay at hotel, Kataragama.

DAY 5 BENTOTA

After breakfast proceed to Bentota via Galla, Hikkaduwa.

En route commence city tour of * Galle -This was the most ancient and important harbour of the country, until the Colombo harbour was established. Galle is indentified as the 'Tarshis' of the bible. This was captured by the Portuguese in 1587 A.D, Dutch in 1640 A.D, and British in 1796 A.D. Most of the existing buildings dates to Dutch period. The Bastians are still using Dutch names such as Zwart, Akesloot, Aeloes ect. Famous for lace making, Ebony carving, Gem cutting & Polishing.

Rest of the day at leisure beach. Overnight stay at hotel, Bentota.

DAY 6 COLOMBO

Breakfast at hotel. Full day commence Colombo city tour & shopping.

* Colombo - a drive through the city taking you to the busy commercial areas as well as the tree-lined residential, Cinnamon Gardens. Visit Fort, the former British administrative center and military garrison, Sea Street - the Goldsmith's quarters in the heart of Pettah, the Bazaar area, where is also a Hindu Temple with elaborate stone carvings, and the Dutch Church of Wolfendhal dating back to 1749. Also visit the BMICH, see the replica of Avukana Buddha and Independence Square.

* shopping in Colombo - visit Mlesna exquisite tea boutique, cashew nut shop, ready made garments and all sorts at Majestic City. Visit the Lanka Ceramics Centre, a place where you can buy "NORITAKE SET" or other ceramic items, visit the 'ODEL SHOP' & 'ARENA' at Lipton Place. Visit 'BAREFOOT', 'HOUSE OF FASHION' and 'BEVERLY STREET' – 24 hours shopping arcade (garments only) at Kollupitya.

Overnight stay at hotel, Colombo.

DAY 7 COLOMBO

After breakfast transfer to airport to connect the departure flight.

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**All rates in Ringgit Malaysia, per person Twin sharing.**

**Valid from 01 April till 31 October 2008.**

**STANDARD PACKAGE**

|                  | 2 – 4 Pax | 5 – 8 Pax | 9 – 14 Pax | 15 Pax + | Sgl supp | Tpl redu. |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Itinerary 5 – 7D | 1150      | 970       | 850        | 830      | 480      | 50        |

**DELUXE PACKAGE**

|                  | 2 – 4 Pax | 5 – 8 Pax | 9 – 14 Pax | 15 Pax + | Sgl supp | Tpl redu. |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Itinerary 5 – 7D | 1220      | 1040      | 920        | 900      | 640      | 70        |

| <b>Hotels used:</b> | <b>Deluxe Package</b>          | <b>Standard Package</b>        |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Beach – Negombo     | Club Hotel Dolphin             | Palm Village                   |
| Kandy               | Amaya Hills/Chaya Citadel      | Topaz Hotel / Hotel Suisse     |
| Nuwara Eliya        | Galway Forest                  | Heritage Hotel / Windsor Hotel |
| Beach – South West  | Serendib Hotel                 | Emerald Bay /Induruwa Beach    |
| Kataragama          | Rosen Renaissance              | Tissamaharama Hotel            |
| Colombo             | Trans Asia Hotel / Taj Samudra | Galle Face                     |

**The above prices include:**

- \*Accommodation at hotels specified or similar on BB basis.
- \*Transportation in an a/c vehicle with English speaking chauffeur cum guide, 7 pax onwards a
- \*Separate English speaking guide will be provided
- \*Entrance fees to Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic ONLY
- \*Porterage

**Does not include:-**

- \*Lunch & dinner (Full board supplement is given below separately)
- \*Entrance fees to Polonnaruwa, Sigiriya (US\$ 20 per person per site)
- \*Camera/video permits in Kandy
- \*Any expenses of a personal nature

Child (U/12 years) sharing with 2 adults –

With an extra bed – 40% discount on adult Twin sharing rate

Without extra bed - 65% discount on adult Twin sharing rate

- **Peak season surcharge from 01<sup>st</sup> Aug – 20<sup>th</sup> August 2008 are given below**
  - 4D Tour @ US\$ 20 per person
  - 5D Tour @ US\$ 35 per person
  - 7D Tour @ US\$ 45 per person

**Full Board supplement :**

|                  | 2D/1N | 3D/2N | 4D/3N | 5D/4N | 6D /5N | 7D/6N |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Adult            | 80    | 140   | 200   | 280   | 320    | 390   |
| Child U/12 years | 70    | 100   | 150   | 210   | 200    | 230   |

~~~ **End of listing** ~~~


