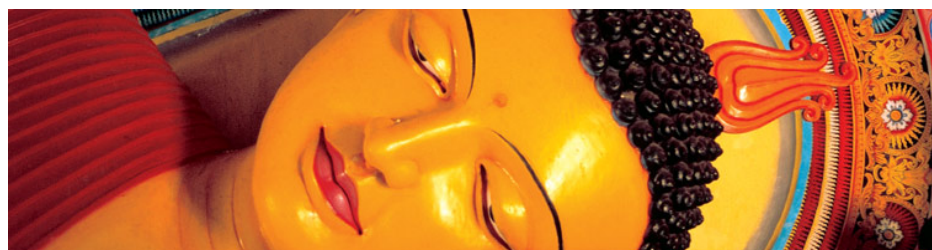


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**CLASSIC FAMILY TOUR OF SRI LANKA**

Day	Date	Location	First Class Hotels	Special Choice	Daily Schedule
01		Depart UK			
02		Arrive Colombo Or Negombo	The Cinnamon Grand Interconnecting Rooms	Mount Lavinia House Adjoining Rooms	>Pick Up From Colombo Airport >Relax On Arrival At Colombo
03		Dambulla	Chaaya Village Deluxe Room Interconnecting Rooms	Kassapa Lions Rock Interconnecting Rooms	>Golden Cave Temples At Dambulla
04		Dambulla	Chaaya Village Deluxe Interconnecting Rooms	Kassapa Lions Rock Interconnecting Rooms	>Travel By Exclusive Private Jeep To See 'The Gathering' Of Elephants At Minneriya Or Kaudulla Lakes
05		Kandy	Chaaya Citadel Deluxe Interconnecting Rooms	Thilanka Hotel Interconnecting Rooms	>The Sigiriya Rock Fortress, One Of The Wonders Of The Ancient World >Temple Of The Buddha's Tooth
06		Kandy	Chaaya Citadel Deluxe Interconnecting Rooms	Thilanka Hotel Interconnecting Rooms	>Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage >Bathing With Elephants At The Millennium Elephant Foundation
07		Hill Country	Melheim Resort Adjoining Rooms	The Bandarawela Hotel Adjoining Rooms	>By Train Through The Hill Country (Observation Car)
08		Beach	1		>Drop Off At Beach Hotel
09		Beach	2		
10		Beach	3		
11		Beach	4		
12		Beach	5		
13		Beach	6		
14		Depart Colombo Arrive UK			>Transfer To Colombo Airport

Yellow=Beach



Reclining Buddha At Kandy

## Day 02 – Colombo



Aerial View Of Colombo

### Relax At Colombo

**Colombo** is an ideal location for rest and relaxation. Surrounding the city centre or **Fort** is the shopping area called **Pettah** with colourful bazaars and markets lining the streets. The best restaurants in the island are to be found in the city as well as a collection of world famous **Old Empire** hotels that hark back to a bygone era.



Gangaramaya Temple



Temple On Beira Lake

### Day 03 – Dambulla



The Golden Cave Temple At Dambulla

### The Golden Cave Temple At Dambulla

An extremely ancient series of 5 cave temples containing thousands of **Buddhist** images and paintings, which date back 2000 years. **Sri Lanka's** artistic masterpiece and a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** of prime importance.



Monkeys And Basket Shop At Dambulla

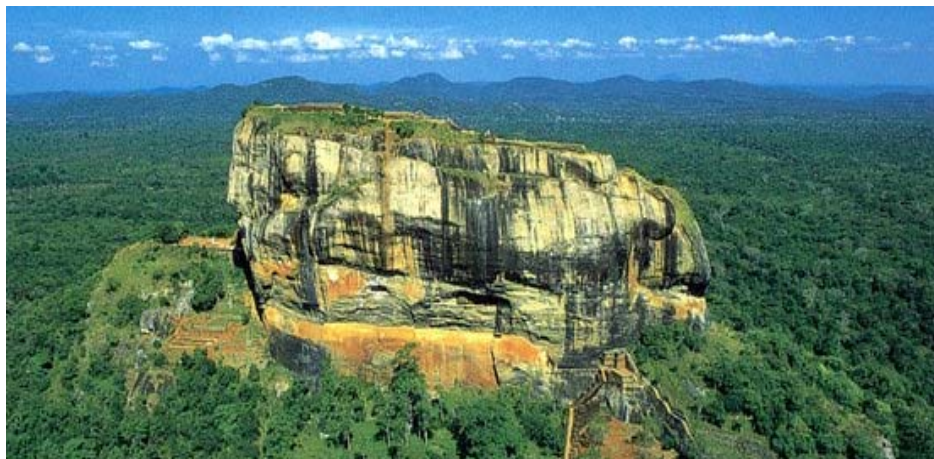


**Day 04 – Dambulla****Elephants At Minneriya Lake****Elephant Watching At Kaudulla Or Minneriya Lake By Jeep**

Take a jeep tour of **Kaudulla** or **Minneriya Lake** where wild elephants gather by the water's edge in the afternoon. During **August** and **September** at **Minneriya** you may encounter the biggest herds of **Asian Elephants** to be found anywhere in the world (up to 300!). Both **National Parks** are located around very beautiful lakes in exquisite natural surroundings.

**Beautiful Minneriya Lake****The 'Gathering' Of Elephants At Minneriya National Park**

## Day 05 – Kandy



Sigiriya Rock Fortress

### Sigiriya Rock Fortress

The remarkable 'fortress in the sky'. A magnificent rock citadel with beautiful frescoes hidden in a natural cave dating from 470 A.D. The climb to the top from the huge stone **Lions Paws** is a dizzying experience with superb views over surrounding forests and distant hills. The newly excavated **Royal Pleasure Gardens** at the foot of the rock are some of the earliest from antiquity. Thought by many to be the **8<sup>th</sup> Wonder Of The Ancient World!**



Temple Of The Tooth

### Temple Of The Buddha's Tooth

Arrive in **Kandy**, the island's prettiest town and the last capital city of the **Sri Lankan** Kings. The best time to visit its world famous shrine, containing the revered tooth of the **Buddha** is the evening 'pooja' ceremony when the temple is illuminated with flickering lamps - a magical experience.

A beautiful view of **Kandy** can be seen from **Lake Drive** above the pretty **Kandy Lake**. You may also visit the **Old Town** area adjacent to the temple, which contains some very early **British** colonial and **Kandyan** period buildings in a narrow maze of streets. **UNESCO** has designated the whole area as a **World Heritage Site**.

### Lake Drive View

A road high above **Kandy Lake** leads to a viewpoint giving a spectacular panorama of the town and the distant **Dumbara Hills** covered in mist.



## Day 06 – Kandy



Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage

### Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage

Set in a pretty riverside location, this is home to about 70 **Elephants**- the largest group of orphaned **Elephants** in the world! Most have been found injured or abandoned in the wild. Baby calves, some only a few weeks old are fed by bottle and the whole herd is then bathed in the adjoining river. A tour highlight for many visitors to **Sri Lanka**.



Elephant Ride At Millennium Elephant Foundation

### Millennium Elephant Foundation

Located near to **Pinnawela**, this is a highly reputed charitable trust that is heavily involved in elephant conservation in **Sri Lanka**. Unlike the **Pinnawela Orphanage**, here you can wash and feed the elephants, or even take an elephant shower if you wish!



## Day 07 – Hill Country



Hill Country Express

### By Train Through Sri Lanka's Hill Country

Without doubt **One Of The Most Beautiful Train Journeys In The World**. The **Observation Car** gives magnificent views of the **Hill Country** while passing cascading waterfalls.

### The Hill Country Of Sri Lanka

Tea estates cover the mountains of the island in a vast expanse of green as far as the eye can see. Legendary **Hill Stations** of the **British** tea planters who came to **Ceylon**, as it was then known include **Nuwara Eliya** and **Bandarawela**. Amazing views from the southern escarpment of the **Uva Hills** can be experienced at **Haputale** and **Ella** .



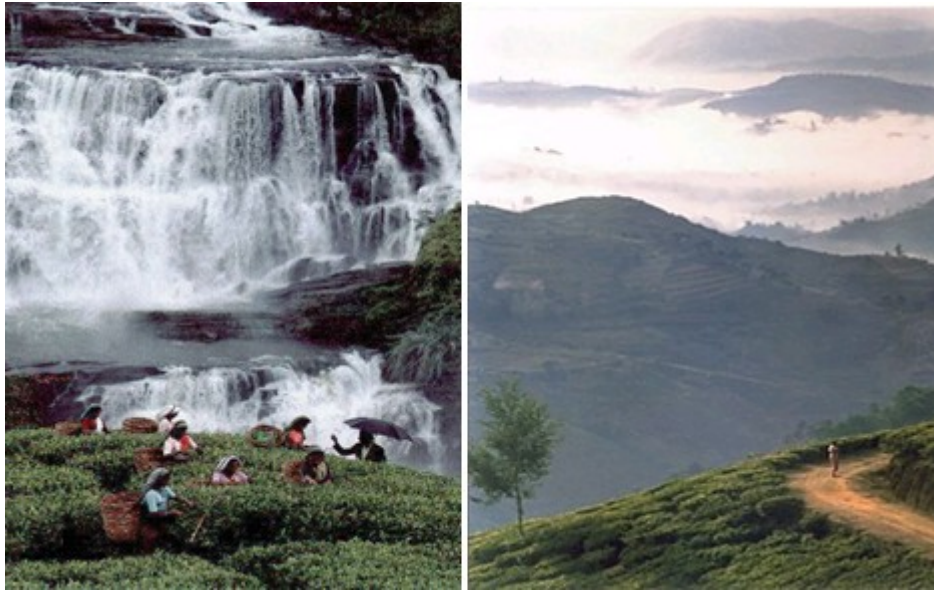
Hill Country Near Nuwara Eliya



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### Day 08 – To Sri Lanka's Beaches



St Clair's Falls And Dramatic Hill Country Views

### Journey Down To The Coast

Follow scenic roads through tea estates down to the tropical lowlands stopping at lovely waterfalls along the way.



Dambatenne Tea Estate At Haputale

### Depart Sri Lanka

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