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HOSTED JOURNEYS

SRI LANKA UNCOVERED

THE PEARL OF THE INDIAN OCEAN

13 DAYS | DEPARTING 16 NOVEMBER 2027



SMALL GROUP HOSTED JOURNEYS

AVAILABLE EXCLUSIVELY TO HELLOWORLD TRAVEL

HOSTED JOURNEYS

Welcome to a new way of travelling

Hosted Journeys are experts in offering travellers unique, hand- picked holidays to destinations all over the world. Our itineraries are designed to ensure you have a hassle free and seamless holiday experience. With over 35 years experience in group travel, you can rest assured you are in expert hands from start to finish.

A professional Tour Host travels with the group, taking care of all the details. They provide security and peace-of-mind, maintain positive group morale, provide assistance through airports, assist with travel disruptions or alterations, reconfirm touring and transfers, all to maximise your holiday experience.

We are driven to help you create lifelong memories and friends that share a passion for travel, food, history, culture and adventure by providing unique itineraries that maximise your travel experience and minimise the hassles.

Let us take you to remote regions of our great country, all seven continents and more importantly, places you didn't know existed.

Annabel Dolphin

Annabel Dolphin
General Manager


King Penguins, South Georgia


Arches National Park, Utah


Parc Güell, Barcelona





Arashiyama Bamboo Forest, Kyoto

HOSTED JOURNEYS

What sets us apart

EXCLUSIVE ITINERARIES

Onevery Hosted Journey, experience locally-inspired moments crafted by our expert team of journey planners. You might explore a local food market by foot, exclusive behind the scenes admission to key attractions, or perhaps a refreshing cocktail in an extraordinary location against a breathtaking sunset. Each of these elements and encounters will broaden the mind and result in unforgettable experiences in each destination.

PEACE OF MIND

Yourwell-being and safety is always our first priority. Working with expert operators with long-established relationships in every region allows us to keep our finger on the pulse of local dynamics and to manage your safety and security.

SMALLER GROUPS

Hosted Journeys specialise in small group travel, meaning you travel in a like-minded group at a pace that suits you all. It also means more one on one interaction with your Tour Host, Tour Director and expert Local Guides, getting to know them for the insightful, dedicated travelling companions they are.

CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

Our itineraries provide you with an immersive taste of the regions you visit. Hosted Journeys is delighted to share with you many interesting cultures across the world. Expand your horizons and explore the local way of life as we discover authentic cultures that will be sure to make your holiday experience truly special.

UNIQUE STAYS

AtHostedJourneys, when considering your accommodation, our expert journey planners look at more than just the rooms. Wherever possible, they arrange to stay close to the places you most dream of seeing, close to the people you'll most enjoy meeting and close to the experiences you'll most enjoy discovering. In select locations, enjoy special feature stays with iconic hotels remarkable for their location, character and heritage.

TOUR HOST

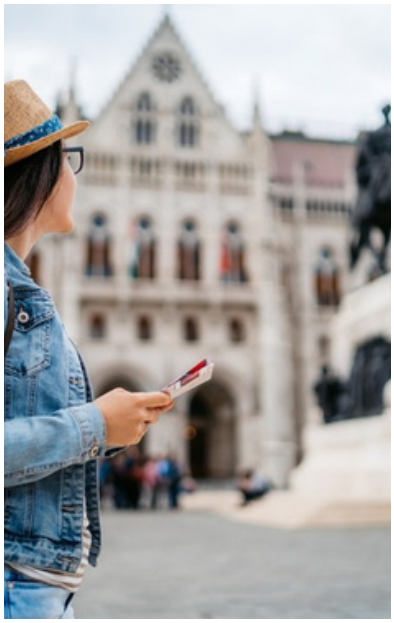
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INCLUDED SERVICES

Letus take the strain off your wallet while you are away by making sure you won't need to think about the usual sundry costs of touring, entrance fees, taxes and gratuities. Touring options as per the itinerary are included in the price of the journey, meaning you can focus on the experience, not the expense.

DINING EXPERIENCES

Anauthentic taste ofa local cuisine is always among the highlights of any holiday. At Hosted Journeys, we ensure you enjoy the perfect mix of planned group meals including celebratory welcome and farewell dinners. You'll experience favourite local restaurants, on select journeys participate in hands-on cooking demonstrations and you may even get to dine with a local family in their home.









Sigiriya Rock



Asian Elephants

RELAX KNOWING YOU'RE IN EXPERIENCED HANDS

Your host will travel with you, taking care of the day-to-day arrangements until the end of each journey. Our hosts are selected for their extensive travel experience and because they have a passion for sharing their wisdom and knowledge. Your host will ensure everything goes to plan, liaising with English-speaking local guides, hotels and dining venues to ensure each itinerary runs smoothly. They also are there to take care of all tipping.

Our hosts will bring an extra dimension to your travel experience; our hosts have been leading guests all over the globe to more than 80 countries across all 7 continents for 40 years.

Krista has been working in the travel industry for 10 years and has developed a passion for creating memorable travel experiences for her clients. With a love of exploring new destinations and discovering different cultures, Krista enjoys sharing her travel knowledge and helping others experience the wonders of the world. She takes great pleasure in building lasting relationships with her clients and creating unforgettable holidays.

"I invite you to join me on this incredible journey through Sri Lanka! From ancient temples and breathtaking landscapes to fascinating wildlife and vibrant local culture, this beautiful island has so much to offer. I look forward to sharing the wonderful experiences and unforgettable moments of this special adventure with you!"

Krista Rothery | Team Leader
Helloworld Travel Mt Pleasant



Krista Rothery

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE

The Pearl of the Indian Ocean

Sri Lanka is a land of extraordinary diversity, where ancient kingdoms, sacred temples, lush tea plantations and palm-fringed beaches combine to create one of Asia's most rewarding travel experiences. Rich in history and culture, this captivating island offers an incredible blend of breathtaking landscapes, remarkable wildlife and warm hospitality. From the cultural heart of the island to the mist-covered highlands and spectacular national parks, every destination reveals a unique side of Sri Lanka's timeless charm. With its colourful traditions, fascinating heritage and extraordinary natural beauty, Sri Lanka promises a journey filled with memorable discoveries and authentic experiences. Its remarkable diversity allows travellers to experience centuries of history, spectacular natural wonders and the warmth of local communities within one extraordinary island destination.

Our journey begins in Sri Lanka's Cultural Triangle, where we'll explore magnificent UNESCO World Heritage sites, ancient capitals and beautifully preserved temples that tell the story of a civilisation spanning more than 2,000 years. We'll visit impressive archaeological treasures, experience authentic village life and gain a deeper appreciation of the country's fascinating Buddhist heritage and enduring traditions. From magnificent ancient monuments to peaceful rural communities, this region offers a fascinating insight into the history and everyday life of the Sri Lankan people. Each destination reveals another chapter of the island's remarkable past, bringing together centuries of architectural achievements, religious significance and cultural traditions that remain an important part of Sri Lankan life today.

Travelling into the scenic hill country, we'll discover emerald-green tea plantations, charming colonial towns and some of the island's most spectacular mountain scenery. Along the way, we'll enjoy one of the world's most picturesque rail journeys, meet local tea producers and experience the relaxed pace of life that makes this region so distinctive. Winding through lush valleys and rolling hills, we'll witness the ever-changing scenery that has made Sri Lanka's highlands so celebrated. The journey continues through vibrant markets, colourful communities and breathtaking landscapes before reaching Sri Lanka's renowned wildlife reserves, where elephants, leopards, sloth bears and an abundance of birdlife roam freely in their natural habitat. These remarkable wilderness areas offer a wonderful opportunity to appreciate the island's extraordinary biodiversity and unspoilt natural surroundings, providing a memorable glimpse into the variety of wildlife and natural environments found throughout the country.

Our adventure concludes on Sri Lanka's beautiful southern coast, where golden beaches, historic forts and the warm waters of the Indian Ocean provide the perfect finale. Here, the relaxed coastal atmosphere offers a wonderful contrast to the cultural discoveries and scenic adventures experienced throughout our journey. With its charming coastal towns, tropical scenery and fascinating maritime heritage, this beautiful region provides a fitting conclusion to our exploration of the island. Together, we'll reflect on an unforgettable journey through a country rich in culture, history and natural beauty, where ancient traditions, remarkable wildlife and genuine hospitality combine to create memories that will last a lifetime.


Galle Fort Lighthouse


Leopard | Yala National Park


Golden Temple | Dambulla





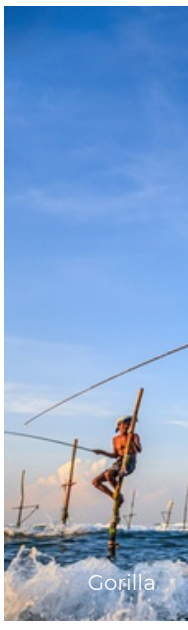
Raksha Masks

Tea Plantation

Nine Arch Bridge



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Gorilla

Sri Lanka Uncovered

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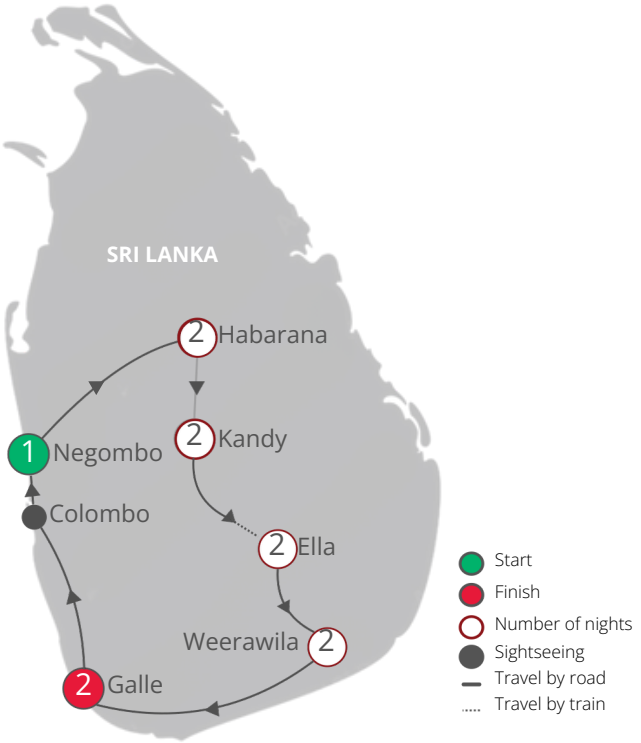
Sri Lanka, a tropical island filled with breathtaking scenery, incredible wildlife, vibrant culture, and fascinating heritage. Explore golden beaches, misty mountains, lush tea plantations, and colourful forests. Encounter elephants, leopards, monkeys, and exotic birds in spectacular national parks. Visit ancient temples, historic forts, and remarkable UNESCO World Heritage sites that reveal Sri Lanka's rich history and traditions.

TRIP SCALE Leisurely ☐ ☐ ☐ ■ ☐ On the Go

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Climb the Iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress and take in stunning views of Sri Lanka's lush jungle.
- Stay in Sri Lanka's Tea Country and follow the journey from freshly plucked leaves to the perfect cup of Ceylon tea.
- Enjoy one of Sri Lanka's most scenic rail journeys, travelling through emerald tea plantations, misty valleys and mountain villages, including the iconic Nine Arch Bridge.
- Visit Sri Lanka's traditional village of Udawalayagama, exploring via by boat, landmaster and tuk tuk.
- Explore the ancient kingdom of Polonnaruwa, exploring royal palace ruins, sacred monuments and the magnificent Buddha statues of Gal Vihara.
- Discover the aromatic world of Sri Lankan spices in Matale, learning about cinnamon, cardamom, pepper and vanilla, including traditional cinnamon processing.
- Visit a traditional batik factory and witness skilled artisans transform fabric using intricate wax-resist techniques and layers of vibrant colour.
- Enjoy a visit to Hambantota Bird Park, discovering a diverse collection of colourful bird species, from vibrant parrots to graceful waterbirds
- Master the flavours of Sri Lankan Cuisine and join a hands-on cooking experience at Arachchi Kitchen.
- Take a rewarding morning trek to Little Adam's Peak through lush tea fields to a breathtaking summit, where sweeping views across Ella Gap unfold as the morning mist lifts.
- Enjoy a Traditional Kandyan Cultural Performance, witnessing vibrant cultural traditions and dance.
- Visit Kandy's Sacred Temple of the Tooth, one of Buddhism's most revered pilgrimage sites.
- Set out on a safari in Yala National Park in search of leopards, wild elephants, sloth bears, crocodiles and birdlife.
- Explore the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Galle fort, wandering cobblestone streets lined with colonial architecture.
- Visit the Habaraduwa Turtle Hatchery and discover the important conservation efforts dedicated to protecting Sri Lanka's endangered sea turtles.
- Unwind along Sri Lanka's beautiful coastline.






Jami Ul Alfar Red Mosque, Colombo


Authentic Dishes

Day 1 – Tuesday 16 November 2027
HOME PORT – BRISBANE – SRI LANKA – NEGOMBO
Our journey begins as we depart our Home Port and travel to Brisbane, where we'll meet our Tour Host and fellow travellers before checking in for our international flight to Sri Lanka.

On arrival at Colombo's Bandaranaike International Airport, we'll be warmly welcomed by our local guide and transferred to the coastal town of Negombo, approximately 30 minutes away.

We'll check in to our beachfront accommodation overlooking the Indian Ocean, where the remainder of the day is at leisure. This is the perfect opportunity to relax after our journey, settle into our surroundings and enjoy our first glimpse of Sri Lanka's beautiful tropical coastline.

Day 2 – Wednesday 17 November 2027 | B D
NEGOMBO – HABARANA – SIGIRIYA
Today we farewell the coast and travel inland towards Habarana, passing through traditional villages and lush tropical countryside as we enter Sri Lanka's cultural heartland.

En route, we visit the magnificent Sigiriya Rock Fortress, one of Sri Lanka's most celebrated UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Rising dramatically above the surrounding jungle, this ancient fifth-century royal citadel is renowned for its historic water gardens, remarkable frescoes and famous Lion Gate. Those wishing to climb to the summit will be rewarded with spectacular panoramic views across the countryside.

Following our visit, we continue to our accommodation, beautifully nestled amongst lush gardens and natural forest, where we check in and settle in.

This evening, we come together for our Welcome Dinner, sharing our first experiences of this fascinating island.

Day 3 – Thursday 18 November 2027 | B L D
HABARANA - UDAWALAYAGAMA - POLONNARUWA
Today we discover Sri Lanka's rural traditions and remarkable ancient history, beginning with a visit to Udawalayagama village, where boat rides, local transport and countryside walks provide an authentic introduction to traditional village life.

We'll enjoy a delicious Sri Lankan rice and curry lunch before continuing to the UNESCO-listed ancient city of Polonnaruwa, once the island's medieval capital.

Exploring by bicycle with our local guide, we'll discover extraordinary archaeological treasures including the Royal Palace, Sacred Quadrangle and magnificent Gal Vihara, where impressive Buddha statues have been carved directly into granite rock.

Following our explorations, we return to our accommodation for an included dinner and a relaxing evening at leisure.

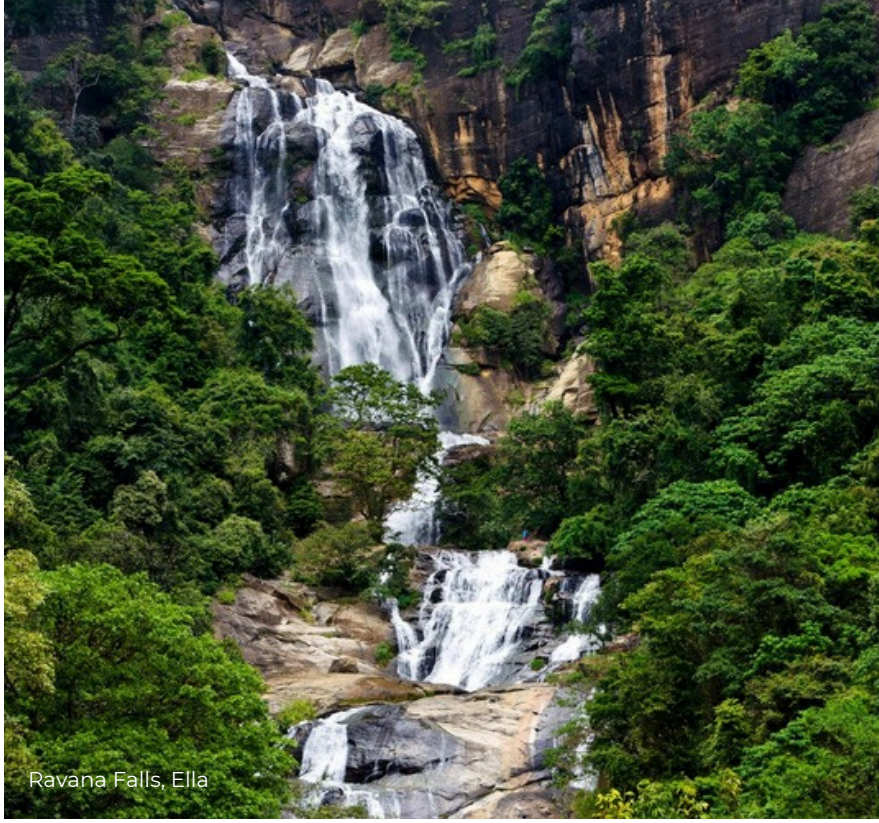
Day 4 – Friday 19 November 2027 | B
HABARANA – MATALE – KANDY
We farewell Habarana and journey south towards Kandy, Sri Lanka's last royal capital, beautifully situated among the forested hills of the island's central highlands.

Along the way, we visit a traditional spice garden in Matale, discovering the cinnamon, cardamom, pepper and other fragrant spices that have played an important role in Sri Lanka's history, cuisine and international trade.

We'll also visit a traditional batik factory to learn about the intricate wax-resist dyeing techniques used to produce these colourful traditional fabrics.

Continuing through the picturesque countryside, we arrive in Kandy and check in to our accommodation overlooking the surrounding mountains, with the remainder of the afternoon and evening at leisure.





Ravana Falls, Ella

Day 5 – Saturday 20 November 2027 | B L
KANDY
This morning is at leisure to relax and enjoy the beautiful surroundings of our accommodation before gathering for an included lunch at a local restaurant.

This afternoon, we explore Kandy's fascinating history and cultural heritage with our local guide, including a visit to the magnificent Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, one of Buddhism's most revered pilgrimage sites and believed to house a sacred tooth of the Buddha.

We'll also discover picturesque Kandy Lake and learn about the history of Sri Lanka's last royal kingdom.

Later, we enjoy a traditional Kandyan cultural performance featuring colourful costumes, rhythmic drumming and spectacular traditional dancing before returning to our accommodation for an evening at leisure.

Day 6 – Sunday 21 November 2027 | B D
KANDY - NANU OYA - DEMODARA - ELLA
One of the most scenic days of our journey awaits as we travel into Sri Lanka's magnificent hill country, passing through the picturesque landscapes surrounding Nuwara Eliya, where emerald tea plantations stretch across rolling hills and mist-covered valleys.

Enroute, we visit a traditional tea plantation and factory to discover how world-famous Ceylon tea is grown, harvested and produced, with an opportunity to sample the finished product.

Later, we board the train at Nanu Oya for a celebrated railway journey through lush tea estates, mountain villages, waterfalls and spectacular valleys towards Demodara.

On arrival, we continue to Ella and check in to our accommodation before enjoying an included dinner at UFO Restaurant.

Train tickets are only confirmed 21 days prior to travel.

Day 7 – Monday 22 November 2027 | B L
ELLA
We begin our day with an early morning walk to Little Adam's Peak, one of Ella's most beautiful viewpoints, following picturesque pathways through tea plantations and hillside scenery.

Our gentle trek rewards us with magnificent views across Ella Gap and the surrounding mountain ranges before we return to our accommodation for breakfast.

Later, we enjoy a special Sri Lankan culinary experience at Arachchi Kitchen, where a local cook introduces us to the flavours and traditions of Sri Lankan cuisine. Using fresh spices and traditional cooking techniques, we'll help prepare an authentic meal before sitting down to enjoy our creations for lunch.

The remainder of the afternoon is at leisure to relax and enjoy Ella's peaceful mountain surroundings.

Day 8 – Tuesday 23 November 2027 | B D
ELLA – WEERAWILA – YALA NATIONAL PARK
Today we farewell Sri Lanka's beautiful hill country and travel south towards the wildlife-rich landscapes surrounding Yala National Park, arriving in Weerawila to check in to our comfortable resort amid peaceful countryside.

This afternoon, we embark on an exciting safari adventure through Yala National Park, one of Sri Lanka's most celebrated wildlife reserves.

Travelling by safari jeep with our experienced guide, we explore the park's diverse landscapes in search of elephants, crocodiles, spotted deer, colourful birdlife and the elusive Sri Lankan leopard.

Renowned for its leopard population, Yala offers a wonderful opportunity to experience the island's remarkable wildlife in its natural habitat

Following our safari, we return to our accommodation for an included dinner.


Leopard


Blue Magpie

Day 9 – Wednesday 24 November 2027 | B D
WEERAWILA - HAMBANTOTA
Today we enjoy a relaxed day discovering the fascinating birdlife of southern Sri Lanka, beginning with breakfast before travelling to Hambantota Bird Park, home to an impressive collection of colourful and exotic bird species from Sri Lanka and around the world.

During our visit, we'll explore the park's attractive surroundings, admire its remarkable variety of birds and learn about the diverse species that inhabit Sri Lanka's tropical landscapes. From brightly coloured tropical birds to unusual species found across the world, the park offers a fascinating insight into the beauty and diversity of birdlife. The visit is particularly appealing to nature enthusiasts and those who enjoy wildlife experiences beyond traditional game drives.

After exploring the park, we return to our resort in Weerawila, where the remainder of the afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure.

This evening, we gather for an included dinner at our accommodation.

Day 10 – Thursday 25 November 2027 | B D
WEERAWILA – GALLE
Following breakfast, we farewell Weerawila and travel west along Sri Lanka's picturesque southern coastline towards the historic city of Galle, renowned for its fascinating colonial heritage, beautifully preserved architecture and spectacular coastal setting overlooking the Indian Ocean.

Upon arrival in Galle, accompanied by our local guide, we'll explore magnificent Galle Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site originally established by the Portuguese during the 16th century and later extensively developed by the Dutch. This remarkable fortified town remains one of Sri Lanka's most significant historical landmarks, offering a fascinating glimpse into the island's colonial past and its importance as a maritime trading centre.

As we wander through its atmospheric cobbled streets, we'll discover beautifully preserved colonial buildings, charming boutiques and historic landmarks that reflect centuries of European influence. We'll also admire the impressive old ramparts and enjoy beautiful views towards the iconic Galle Lighthouse and the Indian Ocean.

Later, we check in to our beautiful coastal resort, where we'll spend our final two nights in Sri Lanka, with time to settle in and enjoy our surroundings.

This evening, we gather for an included dinner at Tap House Galle Fort.

Day 11 – Friday 26 November 2027 | B D
GALLE
Following breakfast, we set out to visit the Habaraduwa Turtle Hatchery, where we'll discover more about Sri Lanka's fascinating sea turtles and the important conservation efforts helping to protect these remarkable creatures along the island's beautiful coastline.

During our visit, we'll learn about the life cycle of sea turtles, from the laying and hatching of eggs to the challenges young turtles face as they make their way into the Indian Ocean. We'll also gain an appreciation for the conservation initiatives designed to protect nesting sites and support the survival of these extraordinary marine animals.

Following our visit, we return to our beautiful beachfront resort, where the remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. Relax beside the swimming pool, admire the spectacular Indian Ocean views or perhaps indulge in a rejuvenating spa treatment as we enjoy our final full day in Sri Lanka.

Tonight, we come together for our special Farewell Dinner at A Minute by Tuk Tuk, celebrating the wonderful experiences, friendships and unforgettable memories we've shared throughout our journey across this remarkable island.





Green Turtle

Day 12 – Saturday 27 November 2027 | B

GALLE – COLOMBO AIRPORT – DEPART SRI LANKA

Following breakfast, we'll enjoy some final time at our beautiful coastal resort, with the opportunity to relax beside the swimming pool, admire the spectacular Indian Ocean views or simply make the most of our last moments in Sri Lanka before we begin our journey towards Colombo's Bandaranaike International Airport.

As we travel north along the island's coastline, we reflect on an extraordinary journey through Sri Lanka, from the magnificent ancient kingdoms of Sigiriya and Polonnaruwa to the fascinating cultural traditions of Kandy and the breathtaking landscapes of the central highlands.

We'll remember the emerald-green tea plantations, our scenic railway journey through the mountains, the remarkable wildlife of Yala National Park and the historic colonial charm of Galle, together with the warmth and hospitality we've experienced throughout our travels.

On arrival at the airport, we'll check in for our international flight and begin our journey home, bringing our memorable Sri Lankan adventure to a close with wonderful experiences and lasting memories of this captivating island.

Day 13 – Sunday 28 November 2027

ARRIVE AUSTRALIA - HOME PORT

Today we arrive back in Australia and fly to our Home Port, completing our journey home.

Our Tour Host will travel to Mackay and bid us farewell enroute or on arrival, bringing our Sri Lankan adventure to a close.

INCLUDED SERVICES

- Return economy class flights from your Home Port to Sri Lanka
- 11 nights accommodation throughout Sri Lanka
- Private transportation in air-conditioned vehicles
- Services of an experienced National Guide
- Welcome and Farewell Dinners
- Cultural experiences and activities as outlined in the itinerary
- Entry fees for all included sightseeing throughout the itinerary (unless otherwise stated)
- Tipping and gratuities
- Services of an experienced Helloworld Travel Tour Host
- 11 x Breakfasts (B) 3 x Lunches (L) 7 x Dinners (D)

DEPARTURE CITY	Mackay	Townsville	Brisbane
Twin Share	$7,495	$7,495	$7,295
Solo Traveller	$9,495	$9,495	$9,295

*Prices are per person



Cinnamon Lodge



Kandy, Sri Lanka

Hotels & Lodging A PLACE TO REST YOUR HEAD

JETWING BLUE

NEGOMBO BEACH

Enjoy a relaxing beachfront escape at Jetwing Blue, a stylish resort overlooking the Indian Ocean in Negombo. Combining contemporary design with warm Sri Lankan hospitality, the resort offers spacious accommodation, inviting swimming pools and delicious local and international cuisine. Unwind on golden sands, admire spectacular sunsets and embrace the laid-back coastal atmosphere at this welcoming seaside retreat.

CINNAMON LODGE

HABARANA

Nestled within lush tropical gardens, Cinnamon Lodge Habarana offers a tranquil retreat surrounded by Sri Lanka's natural beauty. Set beside a peaceful lake, this enchanting resort combines elegant accommodation with immersive wildlife experiences and exceptional dining. Discover the region's cultural treasures, encounter local wildlife and relax amid serene landscapes, making it an ideal base for exploring Sri Lanka's Cultural Triangle.

EARL'S REGENCY

KANDY

Set amid the verdant hills of Kandy, Earl's Regency offers an elegant retreat surrounded by Sri Lanka's breathtaking highland scenery. Blending classic charm with modern comforts, the hotel features spacious accommodation, inviting leisure facilities and a selection of dining experiences. Discover Kandy's rich cultural heritage, explore nearby attractions and unwind in a peaceful setting overlooking the picturesque countryside.

NEWBURGH ELLA

ELLA

Discover the charm of Sri Lanka's tea country at Newburgh Ella, a unique heritage hotel set among rolling tea estates. Housed in a restored, century-old tea factory, this distinctive retreat blends industrial heritage with contemporary comfort. Enjoy the tranquil surroundings, explore Ella's scenic landscapes and immerse yourself in the rich tea-making traditions and breathtaking scenery.

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON WEERAWILA

WEERAWILA

Experience lakeside serenity at DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila Rajawarna Resort, a contemporary retreat surrounded by Sri Lanka's natural beauty. Overlooking tranquil Weerawila Lake, the resort offers stylish accommodation, inviting swimming facilities and exceptional dining. Discover nearby bird sanctuaries and wildlife reserves, or unwind with rejuvenating spa treatments while enjoying the peaceful atmosphere of Sri Lanka's beautiful southern region.

THEFORTRESS RESORT & SPA

GALLE

Discover refined coastal luxury at The Fortress Resort & Spa, a stunning beachfront retreat near Galle on Sri Lanka's southern coast. Inspired by the island's colonial heritage, this elegant resort combines distinctive architecture, contemporary comfort and personalised hospitality. Indulge in exquisite dining, rejuvenate with spa treatments and enjoy spectacular Indian Ocean views.

***Please Note**: Hotels listed in this itinerary are provided as a guide and are subject to change. Should a change be necessary, an alternative hotel of an equal or similar standard will be provided.*



Moivaro Lodge Earl's Regency



Superior Stateroom | Deck 3 (Window) Newburgh Ella



TERMS & CONDITIONS

The following terms and conditions form the basis of your contract with Helloworld Travel Hosted Journeys ('Hosted Journeys'). Please read them carefully as they set out your and our respective rights and obligations. Payment of your deposit to Hosted Journeys confirms that you have read, understand and agree with the conditions outlined below and a more detailed version on the Hosted Journeys website, www.hostedjourneys.com.au

Payment Schedule, Booking & Medical Form

- **NON-REUNDABLE DEPOSIT:** $1,000 per person is due within 7 days of booking.
- **FINAL PAYMENT** is due by 27 August 2027

Failure to make payments as per the schedule may result in your booking being cancelled and your deposit forfeited. If your reservation is made after these dates, full payment of any funds already due is required at time of booking.

You are also required to complete a Hosted Journeys Booking & Medical Form and return it to your Travel Consultant. Please also attach a copy of your photo ID or the photo page of your passport (for international travel) Bookings are subject to auto cancel after 7 days if the deposit and Booking & Medical Form is not received.

Holiday Pricing:
The package price is per person based on twin share accommodation and subject to a minimum number of passengers booked. Should minimum numbers not be met, we reserve the right to withdraw the departure prior to final payment date and a refund of your paid deposit will be offered. Alternatively the tour will proceed as planned however the Tour Host may not travel with the group. Your holiday pricing may increase if minimum numbers are not met.

Hosted Journeys reserves the right to modify program itineraries, included sightseeing and substitute accommodations and transportation at any time due to unforeseen circumstances. In such circumstances, we will do our best to supply comparable services, accommodations and itineraries, and there shall be no refund in this situation.

Currency Adjustment
Deposits secure your reservation but do not guarantee the final price. Due to ongoing currency fluctuations, all prices remain subject to change until final payment is received. Significant movements in the value of the Australian dollar may result in a repricing of your holiday.

Special Requests:
Specific requests such as bedding, adjacent rooms, seat requests on flights and special meal requirements can be made on your Booking Form. Please note, Hosted Journeys will do everything they can to accommodate your requests, however, they can not be guaranteed.

SoloTraveller | SingleAccommodation:
A select number of single rooms are available on each tour. It is important to note that in certain countries a single room may mean a single bed in the room. If you are a single traveller and willing to share with another single traveller, let your Travel Consultant know. When possible, Hosted Journeys will liaise with your consultant to advise if a traveller of the same gender is also willing to share. Your consultant will facilitate contact between the single travellers prior to confirmation to ensure you are agreed compatible travellers. This cannot be guaranteed. If another single traveller is not available, the single supplement must be paid.

Travel Insurance:
Travel Insurance is compulsory when travelling with Hosted Journeys on International Itineraries. We recommend Covermore (offered by Helloworld Travel) as, whilst you are away, our Tour Host can communicate directly with our Covermore representative and provide assistance when making claims or enquiries. If you choose an alternative insurance provider, our Tour Host cannot guarantee assistance.

"Covermore Insurance is issued by Great Lakes Australia (ARBN 127 740 532, ABN 18 964 580 576, FSL 318603). Any advice provided is general advice only. Please consider your needs, financial situation and the combined FSG/PDS available from us before deciding to buy this insurance.

Tour Hosts:
Our Hosted Journeys are facilitated by a Helloworld Travel Tour Host. The decision of the Tour Host is final on all matters likely to affect the safety or well-being of any fellow traveller or staff member. If you fail to comply with a decision made by a Tour Host, or interfere with the well-being or mobility of the group, the Tour Host may direct you to leave the tour immediately, with no right of refund. We may also elect not to carry you on any future Hosted Journeys. You must, at all times, comply with the laws, customs, foreign exchange and drug regulations of all countries visited.

Photo ID, Passport & Visas:
Your reservations must be made in exactly the same name as your photo ID or passport (for international travel). Should any amendments to names be made from those advised on the Booking Form, or if a change needs to be made as a Booking Form was not supplied, fees will apply.
For International Itineraries please ensure you have a current passport that is valid for at least six months after your scheduled return home to Australia. It is the guests sole responsibility to obtain, and have available when necessary, the appropriate valid travel documents.

Documentation:
Approximately one month prior to departure you will be sent an invitation to attend your pre-departure event where you can meet your fellow travelers and collect your travel documents. The event will be held in Mackay QLD, approximately two weeks prior to your departure. If you are not located in Mackay QLD, your travel documents will be couriered to you or your Travel Consultant.

Social Media & Imagery:
By signing your Booking Form you consent to Hosted Journeys using images of you taken by the Tour Host during the Hosted Journey for advertising and promotional purposes in any medium we choose. You grant us a perpetual, royalty-free, worldwide, irrevocable license to use such images for publicity and promotional purposes.

Changes & Amendment Fees:
If you extend or alter your holiday, a minimum fee of $100 per person per change is payable to Hosted Journeys to cover administrative and communication costs. This is in addition to any fees charged by airlines and applicable suppliers.

Refunds & Cancellation:
Cancellation must be in writing and such notice is not effective until received by Hosted Journeys. Any part payments received by Hosted Journeys over and above your deposit, including payment for airfares, will be subject to cancellation fees at the discretion of Hosted Journeys plus any third party suppliers. A 100% cancellation fee will apply if your reservation is cancelled on or after the final payment deadline.

In the event that an act of terrorism or natural disaster occurs at your chosen travel destination after your final payment has been made, but before your departure date, Hosted Journeys will perform all possible efforts to minimise your travel disruptions. However in extreme cases, your tour may be altered or cancelled for your safety. Hosted Journeys can not be held responsible should any third party suppliers be unable to offer any refunds due to such causes.

If due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a change in your reservation that results in requiring either a partial or a full refund, Hosted Journeys will work with your Travel Consultant to arrange this.

Refunds will be subject to the terms and conditions of the third party travel providers that Hosted Journeys have booked the travel arrangements with. It is important to note that third party travel providers have restrictive terms and conditions for group travel and can differ from those outlined in their brochure or on their website. Hosted Journeys cannot be held responsible for any travel providers delays in issuing refunds. Some refunds, such as airlines, are known to take at least 3 - 6 months. Similarly, any refund for a cancelled booking can only be paid to you, once the supplier provides the refund to Hosted Journeys.

Hosted Journeys take pride in providing an exclusive travel experience and often take a long time to plan and book the travel arrangements included in your chosen itinerary. Any remuneration earned by Hosted Journeys will remain non-refundable.

Liability & Privacy:
Hosted Journeys acts as a wholesale travel provider within the Helloworld Travel Network. We sell various travel related products on behalf of numerous transportation, accommodation and other wholesale service providers, such as airlines, coach, rail and cruise line operators. Hosted Journeys' obligation is to make travel bookings on your behalf and to arrange relevant contracts between you and the travel service providers. We have no responsibility for these services nor do we make or give any warranty or representation regarding their standard. All bookings are made subject to the terms and conditions and limitations of liability imposed by these service providers groups departments. Your legal recourse is against the specific provider and not Helloworld Travel or Hosted Journeys. If, for any reason, any travel service provider is unable to provide the services for which you have contracted your remedy lies against the provider and not with Hosted Journeys.

It is important that you, and all members of your travelling party are aware of these terms and conditions as they may relate all or in part to the bookings held by Hosted Journeys on your behalf. If you are making bookings on behalf of more than one person, we will be happy to provide you with more than one copy of these terms and conditions if requested.

All reservations have been booked under the terms and conditions laid down by the airlines and tour providers groups departments. It is important to understand that each tour provider has different terms and conditions for group travel and these will differ from the Terms & Conditions for leisure travel.

We do not accept any liability of whatever nature, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise, of third party providers over whom we have no direct control. Under circumstances where liability cannot be excluded, such liability is limited to the value of the purchased travel arrangements. We do not accept any liability in contract, tort or otherwise for any injury, damage, loss (including consequential loss), delay, additional expense or inconvenience caused directly or indirectly by force majeure or any other event which is beyond our control which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part. Third party excursions such as scenic flights, boat cruises, helicopter flights, cable car rides, some 4WD tours, white water rafting, camel rides, hot air ballooning, rail, rural homestay options are not operated by Hosted Journeys, nor by persons or companies associated with Hosted Journeys. These activities may involve inherent risk of injury, death, accident, delay and loss, and clients assume all such risk with regard to any misadventure, death, injury, delay or loss which occurs during, or as a result of, any such activity.

Hosted Journeys collects information about you (including health information where necessary) and may disclose your personal information to organisations which provide services to Hosted Journeys to enable us to provide products and services to you, process your travel arrangements and facilitate your participation in loyalty programs. If the information is not provided, we may not be able to fulfil the service requested. As a Hosted Journeys customer, you may, at any time, request further information about the way we manage your personal information. You may also request removal from our contact lists or correct your personal information by contacting us in writing.

Medical & Travel Health:
Hosted Journeys seeks to provide a safe, memorable and enjoyable travel experience for all guests and welcomes guests with special needs or disabilities provided they are accompanied by an able-bodied companion and do not require special assistance from Hosted Journeys Tour Host or other travellers. You must complete a Hosted Journeys Medical, Health & Mobility Form at the time of booking and advise of any physical, medical, or other particular needs that may affect your enjoyment of the tour or its enjoyment by others; and you must ensure that you are medically and physically able to travel. Failure to do so may result in the termination of your travel arrangements without any liability on the part of Hosted Journeys. Hosted Journeys reserves the right at its discretion to exclude from a tour, or to terminate the travel arrangements during the course of the tour without refund, of anyone who: is unable to cope with the requirements of coach travel – this includes embarking and disembarking 4-6 steps that are approximately 30 centimetres high, at each stop of the coach, which, on some tours, is at least 8 times per day, may need services or facilities that are not available, fails to comply with the reasonable instructions of Hosted Journeys Tour Host, engages in illegal or undesirable behaviour or interferes with the enjoyment of or jeopardises the safety of other participants

Anyone so excluded will be required to disembark at a safe public location, transportation from which will be wholly their responsibility. You agree that Hosted Journeys is released from all liability for, and you agree not to hold Hosted Journeys responsible for, termination of your travel arrangements in accordance with the previous condition, or any decision made by Hosted Journeys or by any service provider who refuses to provide you with special accommodation facilities or services that are not available or who refuses to carry you by reason of any disability or medical condition. Any changes to health, mobility and fitness must also be reported to Hosted Journeys as soon as possible and prior to departure.

Complaints:
If you have a complaint please inform your Tour Host or our local representative at the time so they can attempt to rectify the matter whilst travelling. If satisfaction is not reached through these means then any further complaint should be put in writing to us within 30 days of the end of the tour in order to expediate and escalate your complaint.

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