

7 Days / 6 Nights
DELIGHTS OF SRI-LANKA
November 22 ~ November 28, 2012

DAY 1 - 22 Nov 2012 (Thursday)

- ✿ Depart Hong Kong for Colombo by Singapore Airlines flights via Singapore.
Nov 22 SQ863 Hong Kong / Singapore 1330/1720 - flying hour 3 hours 50 mins
Nov 22 SQ458 Singapore / Colombo 2250/0005+ - flying hour 3 hours 45 mins

Please check-in at Hong Kong International Airport not later than 2 hours prior flight departure.

DAY 2 - 23 Nov 2012 (Friday)

- ✿ Arrival at 0005 hrs. Clients will be met by Walkers Tours Airport Staff & English Speaking Chauffeur / Guide and transferred to **Negombo (Approx 20 mins drive)**.
- ✿ **Room booked from 22 Nov 2012 allow early Check - In**
- ✿ **Overnight Jetwing Beach (4*) or similar**

- ✿ **Breakfast at the Hotel**
- ✿ After Breakfast leave for Anuradhapura (5 ½ hours drive)
- ✿ Lunch at a Local Restaurant
- ✿ PM - Sightseeing of Anuradhapura
- ✿ Evening return to Habarana (1 ½ hours drive)
- ✿ **Dinner & Overnight in Cinnamon Lodge Habarana (5*) or similar**



Anuradhapura - a UNESCO World Heritage Site located in the north central part of the Island was the first capital (5th century BC - 9th century AD), the centre of the island's Buddhist civilization and undoubtedly the grandest city of ancient Sri Lanka. In antiquity and the interest, it is the equal of any ancient 'buried city' in the world. The oldest historically documented tree on earth (over 2,200 years old) - The Sri Maha Bodhi, brought as a sapling of the tree under which the Buddha attained enlightenment, and the island's oldest Buddhist shrines - some dating back to the 3rd century BC, impressive white 'dagabas' (relic chambers) and monuments embellished with handsome stone carvings or sculpture, pleasure gardens, beautifully executed stone baths and ponds and a superb irrigation system of reservoirs and canals are the main attractions of Anuradhapura. Specific places to visit are - the Brazen

Palace (2nd century B.C.), with 1600 significant stone columns are the remains of a magnificent multi-storied residence for monks – an engineering marvel at the time, Ruwanweli Seya (2nd century B.C) the most famous of all the dagoba's, originally depicted the perfect water-bubble shape that modern restoration has not been able to accurately reproduce, Samadhi Buddha (3rd century B.C.) regarded as the finest rock sculpture in the island - depicting the Buddha in a state of deep meditation, Isurumuniya rock temple (3rd century B.C.) known for its rock carving of the "Lovers", Kuttam Pokuna, twin ponds (3rd century B.C.) which were used by monks of this glorious era as a bathing pool. Thuparama (3rd century B.C.), the oldest dagoba in the island – enshrines the right collarbone of Buddha, Ratnaprasada with the best preserved Guard Stone, Mahasena's Palace with its renowned Moonstone, Abayagiri and Jetevanarama – a huge dagoba said to be the largest brick built structure in the world.

DAY 3 – 24 Nov 2012 (Saturday)

- 🍽️ After Breakfast transfer to **Polonnaruwa (1 hours drive)**
- 🍽️ Lunch at a Local Restaurant en-route.
- 🍽️ Afternoon – **Visit Sigiriya and Climb Sigiriya Rock Fortress**
- 🍽️ **Dinner & Overnight in Cinnamon Lodge Habarana (5*) or similar**



Polonnaruwa – this medieval city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, rose to fame as the capital (10th - 12th century AD) after the decline of Anuradhapura. The entire landscape of the region is punctuated by huge man-made reservoirs, the most famous of which is the Parakrama Samudra or the Sea of Parakrama, larger in size than the Colombo harbour. The monuments are relatively well preserved and give clear evidence of the glory of Sri Lanka's past. Highlights are the Royal Palace complex including the Kings Palace and Audience Hall, the Quadrangle with its concentration of ancient heritage and the spectacular Gal Vihare complex of four massive images of the Buddha, cut from a single slab of granite - a highlight of ancient Sri Lankan rock carving. Some of the best examples of the Hindu influence – the Temples of Shiva, intricate statues of Hindu Gods, fascinating Buddhist temples, the Lankatilleka and Watadage, the Galpotha, the Lotus bath, the Kiri Vihare Dagoba and the remains of a former Temple of the Tooth are other impressive sights.



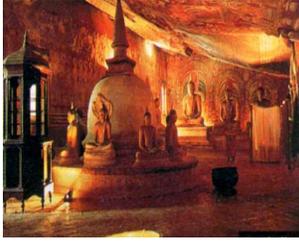
Sigiriya – this UNESCO World Heritage Site, a spectacular Rock Fortress, is one of Sri Lanka’s major attractions. The most impressive facets of the unique complex are the Water Gardens, the Frescoes of beautiful maidens, the Mirror Wall with ancient graffiti, the Lion platform and the Summit of 1.6 hectares, which was completely covered by buildings during the period of Sigiriya’s glory. Built by King Kashyapa (477-495 A.D), the “Lion Rock” is a citadel of unusual beauty rising 200m from the scrub jungle. The rock was the innermost stronghold of the 70 hectare fortified town and the base is ringed by a moat, rampart, and extensive gardens. The world-renowned frescoes (originally 500, of which only 19 remain today) which are in a sheltered pocket of the rock approached by a spiral stairway are painted in earth pigments on plaster. The old stairway to the top led through the mouth of a crouching lion but today only the huge paws remain giving an indication of the massive proportions of the head. Remains of the handsome royal citadel are on the summit and several caves for meditation, audience platforms and baths complete the unique site.

DAY 4 – 25 Nov 2012 (Sunday)

- 🍷 After Breakfast transfer to **Kandy (2 ½ hours drive)** with a visit to **Dambulla Rock Cave Temple**
- 🍷 **Lunch at a Local Restaurant**
- 🍷 PM – Sightseeing and Shopping in **Kandy** with a visit to the **Temple of the Tooth**
- 🍷 Evening witness a Cultural Dance Show
- 🍷 **Dinner & Overnight Earls Regency (5*) Kandy or similar**

Kandy – a lovely exotic city, the Hill Capital and last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings is a UNESCO World Heritage Site which retains an aura of grandeur, time has not affected. Encircled by hills, with a tranquil lake in its centre, it is the site of the renowned temple that enshrines the Tooth Relic of the Buddha and the Royal Botanical gardens – home to one of the world’s best collections of Orchids. A cultural sanctuary where many legends, traditions and folklore are still lovingly kept alive, Kandy and its satellite villages are the centre of the islands handicraft industry (items of wood, brass & silver) exquisite silver or gold jewellery and precious gems of many varieties including the world’s best blue and star sapphires. The highlight of the city’s calendar is the Esala Perahera, when a replica of the casket enclosing the Tooth is taken in procession for ten glittering nights in July/August by exotically costumed dancers, drummers and approximately 100 Elephants.





Dambulla - located in the north central province this UNESCO World Heritage Site which dates back to the 01st century BC, is an amazing complex of 05 caves, first used as a refuge by an ancient king who on regaining his throne, commissioned magnificent carved images within the living rock. Later kings made further improvements and the caves contain over 150 images of the Buddha of which the largest is a colossal figure spanning 15 meters. Cave inscriptions from the 2nd Century BC are found and on the walls are many paintings most of which belong to the Kandy period (early 19th century). This temple is a perfect location to view evolution of ancient Sri Lankan art and is an important historical site due to the amalgamation of the material from many eras.

DAY 5 - 26 Nov 2012 (Monday)

- ✿ After Breakfast transfer to Nuwara Eliya (2 ½ hours drive) via Ramboda with a visit to a Tea Factory / Plantation
- ✿ Lunch at a Local Restaurant
- ✿ Sightseeing of Nuwara Eliya
- ✿ Dinner & Overnight Grand Hotel (4*) or similar

Tea Plantation - visit a tea plantation and a tea factory where one the best teas in the world is produced. You will be told all about the process of manufacturing tea and also gain first hand experience on the manufacture of some of the best teas in world. If you're lucky you may be invited to taste a cup of pure Ceylon tea which begins its journey as raw green leaves in the hills and ends up as a final golden-brown graded product which we all but know too well.



Nuwara Eliya - Sri Lanka's premier hill resort with a fine bracing mountain climate, Nuwara Eliya is also the heart of Sri Lanka's tea country, producing some of the world's best tea. The mountain slopes and valleys are a carpet of velvety green tea plantations, interspersed with gushing streams and tumbling waterfalls. Red or green roofed plantation bungalows, English country style homes and hotels with lovely flower gardens, a fine 18 hole golf course and a racecourse gives Nuwara Eliya a decidedly British character.



DAY 6 - 27 Nov 2012 (Tuesday)

- 🍷 After breakfast, transfer to Colombo (6 hours drive)
- 🍷 **Lunch at a local Restaurant**
- 🍷 **PM - Sightseeing and Shopping in Colombo**
- 🍷 **Dinner at an Authentic Chinese Restaurant**
- 🍷 **Departure transfer to the Airport in time for the Return Flight on 28 Nov 12**

Colombo - the trade and commercial capital has long been the traditional gateway to the Orient. Sri Lanka's largest city, it is located on the west coast and draws together all the cultures, religions and influences of foreign lands into a pot-pourri of sounds, smells and a kaleidoscope of colour. The original traders and settlers - the Arabs, Portuguese, Dutch and the British have left in their wake churches and monuments, names and religions, costumes and food and smatterings of their languages which have been absorbed into the speech of the Sri Lankan. Today, Colombo is a fascinating city - a happy blend of east & west, past & present, with a charm of its own. A less known but amazingly true fact is that Colombo has a superb range of high quality restaurants serving food from all over the world and some of the best shopping opportunities in Asia. The main seaport of Sri Lanka is in Colombo & adjoining it, is Pettah, a local bazaar & trading area. Other places of interest are the beautiful Buddhist temples, Hindu temples, mosques, the historic Wolfendhal church, (1749) residential areas where you find the stately homes of the affluent, the Colombo Museum, the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, the Folk Art Centre, Art Galleries, Parks, Independence Square, the Zoo, the Ceramic Corporation famous for its well known brand "Noritake" and ODEL the renowned shopping centre.



Shopping - 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. Visit BAREFOOT, HOUSE OF FASHION and BEVERLY STREET at Kollupitya

DAY 7- 28 Nov 2012 (Wednesday)

- 🍷 **Depart Colombo for Hong Kong by Singapore Airlines flights via Singapore.**
- Nov 28 SQ469 Colombo/Singapore 0120/0750 - flying hour 4 hours
- Nov 28 SQ865 Singapore/Hong Kong 0930/1330 - flying hour 4 hours

~~~~~ End of Tour ~~~~~

## Quotation :

Based on minimum 20 guests in 10 rooms

### Air ticket on Singapore Airlines (SQ)

- **HK\$ 2,700 per person + tax**
- **One free for organizer, passenger need to pay relevant taxes.**
- **Fixed date departure as per flights booked per above itinerary.**
- **Group travel with minimum 20 guests.**
- **Non-refundable, Non-reroutable & no separate return.**
- **No senior or child fare applicable.**
- **Not eligible for airline mileage accrual.**

### Land & tour arrangement

- Twin sharing        -        **HK\$ 7,700 per person in twin**  
 Single                -        **HK\$ 10,700 per person in single room**

**All prices include prevailing Government taxes. Any increases thereon or any new taxes or levies, statutory or otherwise introduced in the future will be passed on.**

| COST INCLUDES                                                                         | COST DOES NOT INCLUDE                                                                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ~ Accommodation per proposed hotel or similar class.<br>~ meals per itinerary         | ~ All Extras of personal Nature<br>~ Portage<br>~ Tipping                                               |
| ~ Transportation in an air conditioned coach with English speaking guide              | ~ Camera / Video permits, Air fare & Visa Fees                                                          |
| ~ Entrance Fees to Sigiriya, Temple of the tooth, Dambulla, Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa | ~ Compulsory Peak Period Supplement,<br>~ Cricket Supplements<br>~ Entrance Fees to sites not Mentioned |

**Deposit :    HK\$ 3,000 per person is required before 15JUN12**  
 (this included HK\$1,000 non-refundable deposit to airline & HK\$ 2,000 deposit on land portion)

**Balance :    Air & land portion - due by 60 days prior departure,**  
**i.e. 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2012**

## Cancellation Policy

- ❖ Any cancellation made 91 days prior departure, HK\$ 1,500 will be charged as penalty.
- ❖ Any cancellation made between 90-61 days prior departure, HK\$ 3,000 will be charged as penalty.
- ❖ Any cancellation made between 60-46 days prior departure, HK\$ 5,000 will be charged as penalty.
- ❖ Any cancellation made between 45-26 days prior departure, HK\$ 8,000 will be charged as penalty.
- ❖ Any cancellation between 25 days to departure, and NO show. 100% penalty. NO Refund.

## Remarks :

- Please note that NO hotel reservation has been made at this moment, and this offer will be expired by 30MAY12. Once hotel confirmed deposit will be required before 15JUN12.
- Above quotation on air ticket valid for maximum nbr of 32 guests, additional guests may involve different fares.
- Any changes of travelling date, flight or group size will affect the price on air ticket & land portion.
- No tour escort/leader will be provided by Sightseers (HK) Limited, only local guide will be provided for the group (English speaking).
- Travel insurance & any other personal expenses will be on guests' own account.

Prepared by :  
Linda Yuen, Hong Kong, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2012