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EXPERIENCE IN SRI LANKA





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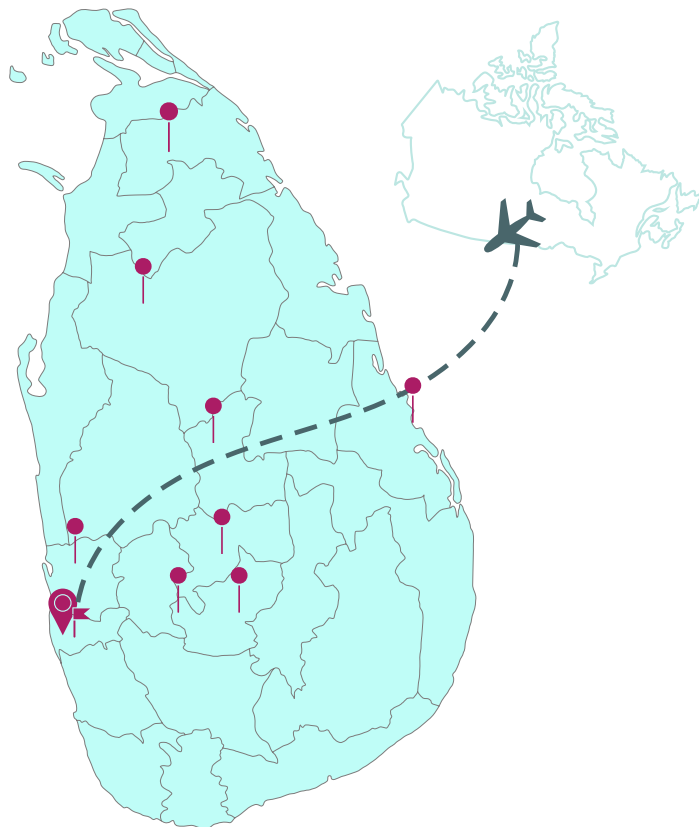
TOUR ITINERARY FOR
DR. ERIC RAJAH
FOR A 13 DAY TOUR
12 NIGHTS/13 DAYS
JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 10, 2024

Pick-up point: Colombo International Airport

Pick-up Date & Time: January 29, 12:35 PM

Flight No: AC 6888 | **Vehicle:** Toyota Van

Colombo Airport – Negombo – Anuradhapura – Jaffna – Sigiriya – Dambulla –
Bataloa – Kandy – Nuwara Eliya – Kitulgala – Colombo – Colombo Airport



**"..the traveler reaches the island of Ceylon.
This, is the finest island of it's size than any other island in the world."**

-Marco Polo, 1293

Monday, January 29

Day 1

COLOMBO AIRPORT - NEGOMBO

Approximately 20km



Welcome to Sri Lanka

Upon arrival transfer to your hotel in Negombo.

Rest, relax and prepare for a wonderful Sri Lankan adventure!



Goldi Sands, Negombo for Overnight Stay

<https://www.goldisands.com>



Tuesday, January 30

Day 2

NEGOMBO - ANURADHAPURA

Approximately 200km



Depart your hotel at **8:00 AM**

Lunch at Anuradhapura: **12:00 - 1:00 PM**



Sacred City of Anuradhapura

1:00 - 5:00 PM

This sacred city was established around a cutting from the 'tree of enlightenment', the Buddha's fig tree, brought there in the 3rd century B.C. by Sanghamitta, the founder of an order of Buddhist nuns. Anuradhapura, a Ceylonese political and religious capital that flourished for 1,300 years, was abandoned after an invasion in 993. Hidden away in dense jungle for many years, the splendid site, with its palaces, monasteries and monuments, is now accessible once again.

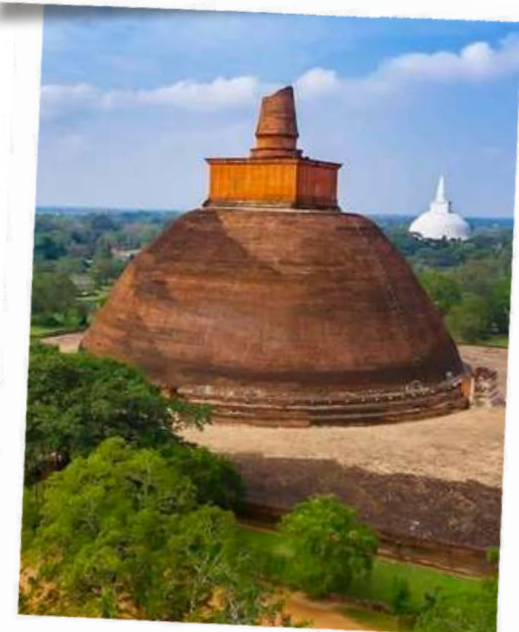
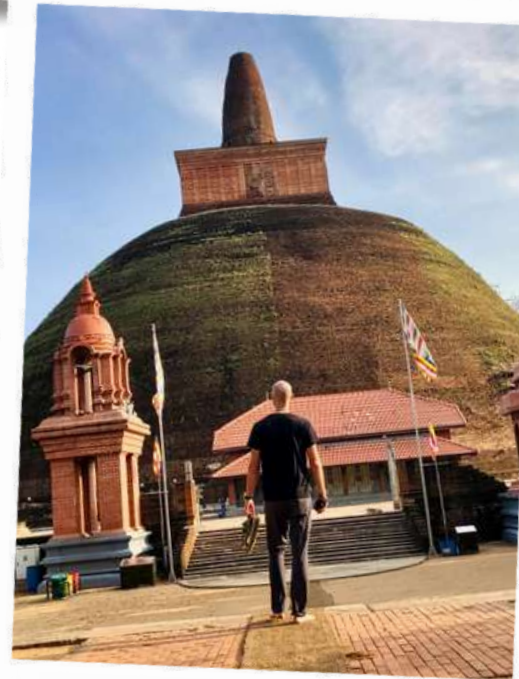
Check in to your hotel in Kandy before **5:30 PM**

Rest, relax or cool off in the pool



Rajarata, Anuradhapura for Overnight Stay

<https://rajaratahotel.lk>



Wednesday, January 31

Day 3

ANURADHAPURA - JAFFNA

Approximately 250km



Depart your hotel at **8:00 AM**

Arrive in Jaffna and check in to your hotel before **12:00 PM**

Depart your hotel at **2:00 PM**



Nallur Kandaswamy Kovil

2:15 - 2:45 PM

The temple was originally founded in 948 AD. It reached fame when it was rebuilt in the 13th century by Puvaneka Vaahu, a minister of the Jaffna King Kalinga Maha. Nallur served as the capital of the kings of Jaffna, and was a highly defensive fort and city.



Kadurugoda Temple Ruins

3:00 - 3:30 PM

Temple and Ruins are one of the few remaining Buddhist legacies in the northern province. Paul E. Peiris, the Jaffna Magistrate at 1917, documented nearly 60 gray coral-stone stupas when he discovered the ruins at the turn of the 20th century. Today however, only about 20 stupas remain sprawled across less than an acre of open land under palmyrah trees.



Casuarina Beach

4:15 - 5:15 PM

The most popular beach on the peninsula, named after its resident coastal trees.



Jaffna Fort

6:00 - 6:30 PM

The well known iconic fortress in Jaffna was originally built by the Portugese but was later overtaken by the dutch. The Dutch transformed the city of Jaffna into a successful trading hub.

Check in to your hotel in Kandy before **6:45 PM**



Jetwing, Jaffna for Overnight Stay

<http://www.jetwinghotels.com/jetwingjaffna/>



Thursday, February 1

Day 4

JAFFNA

Approximately 80km



Depart your hotel at **7:30 AM**



Delf Island

9:00 - 3:30 PM

It is a remote feeling island of Jaffna with an array of local sites and curiosities. There are almost no vehicles and the real joy of Delf is the other-worldly feel and the barren remoteness of the landscape. An island located halfway between Sri Lanka and India; abound with colonial legacies, uninhabited coastlines and wild horses.



Be back in your hotel before **4:30 PM**

Jetwing, Jaffna for Overnight Stay



Friday, February 2

Day 5

JAFFNA - SIGIRIYA

Approximately 270km



Depart your hotel at **8:00 AM** Arrive in Sigiriya and check in to your hotel before **1:00 PM**

Depart your hotel at **4:45 PM**



Ayurvedic Spa

5:00 - 6:00 PM

Winding down at an authentic Sri Lankan Ayurvedic spa is a perfect way to unwind and end this day.

Be back in your hotel before **6:15 PM**

Aliya Resort and Spa, Sigiriya, for Overnight Stay

<https://www.themacollection.com/aliya-resort/>



Saturday, February 3

Day 6

SIGIRIYA - DAMBULLA - SIGIRIYA

Approximately 40km



Depart your hotel at **5:30 AM**



Sigiriya Rock Fortress

6:00 - 8:30 AM

King Kasyapa's architectural brilliance lives on in the form of Sigiriya, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is awe-inspiring and mesmerizing. Despite the king's amazing tale of power, desire that had a tragic end, visitors can only imagine the majesty of the bygone era that he created.



Be back in your hotel before **9:00 AM**

Rest, relax or cool off in the pool

Depart your hotel at **1:30 PM**



Village Tour

2:00 - 4:00 AM

You will be taken around a village. And after seeing how a typical village functions you get to have lunch at the village.



Dambulla Cave Temple

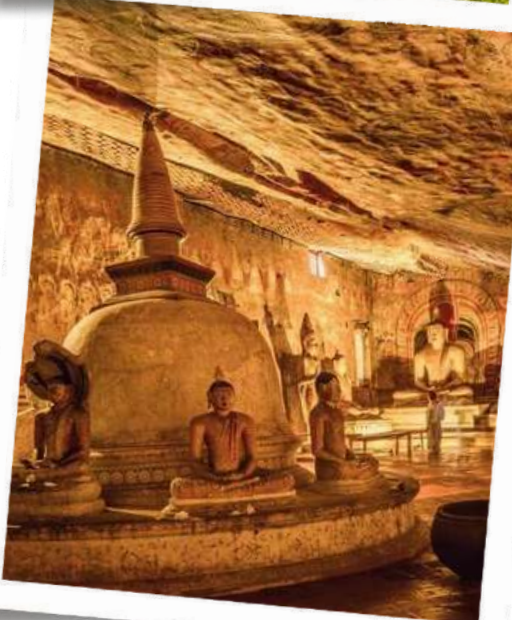
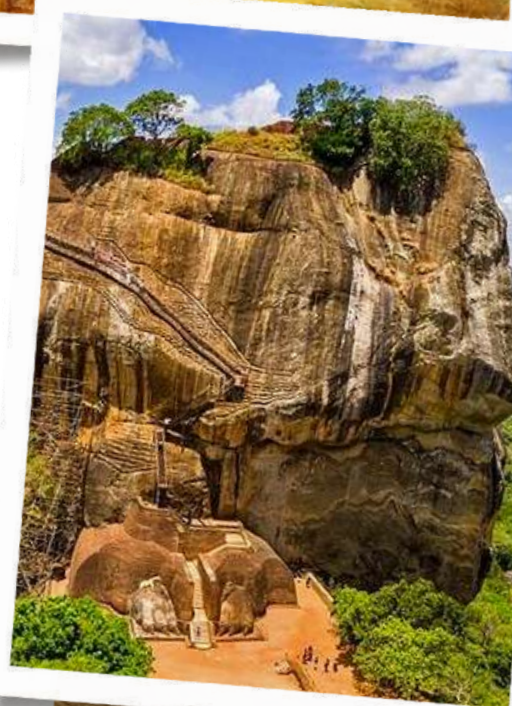
4:30 - 5:30 PM

Rising 1118 feet above sea level, the Golden Temple of Dambulla is a UNESCO World Heritage Site dating back to the 1st century BC. The massive rock towers over 600 feet in height and 2000 feet in length, home to a cave complex of magnificent Buddha images and rock paintings of vivid colors and shapes. This temple is the perfect location to view the evolution of ancient Sri Lankan art and an important historical site due to the amalgamation of materials from many eras.



Be back in your hotel before **6:00 PM**

Aliya Resort and Spa, Sigiriya, for Overnight Stay



Sunday, February 4

Day 7

SIGIRIYA - PASIKUDA

Approximately 130km



Depart your hotel at **10:00 AM**

Arrive in Pasikuda and check in to your hotel before **12:30 PM**



Amaya Beach, Pasikudah for Overnight Stay
<https://www.amayaresorts.com/amayabeach/>



Monday, February 5

Day 8

PASIKUDA



Indulge in a day of pure bliss and serenity as you soak up the sun on the beach.

Amaya Beach, Pasikudah for Overnight Stay



Tuesday, February 6

Day 9

PASIKUDA - KANDY

Approximately 240km



Depart your hotel at **8:00 AM**

Lunch en-route to Mailapitiya



Lakpahana Adventist College and Seminary

1:00 - 4:00 PM



Kandy View Point

4:45 - 5:00 PM

Enjoy the picture perfect panoramic view of Kandy City from a convenient spot high up on one of Kandy's many plateaus.



Kandy Lake

5:15 - 5:30 PM

Enjoy the peacefulness of the lake located in the heart of the busy town built by Sri Lanka's last king, Sri Wickramarajasinghe, in 1798. Fishing is prohibited, and the lake is home to numerous legends, including a secret tunnel connecting the palace to the small island at its center.



Temple of the Tooth

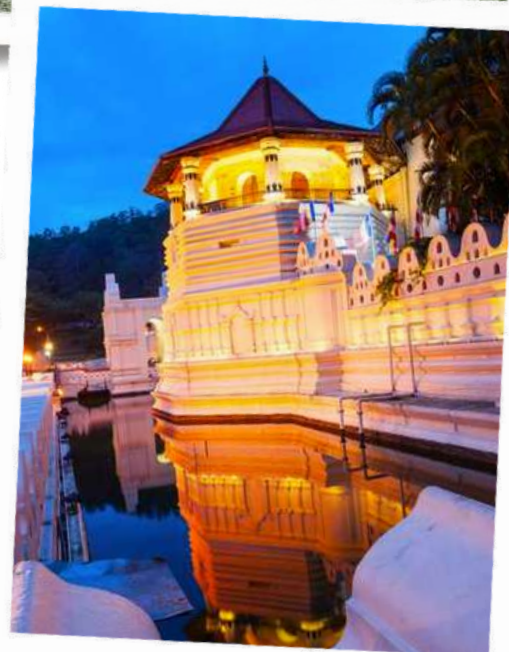
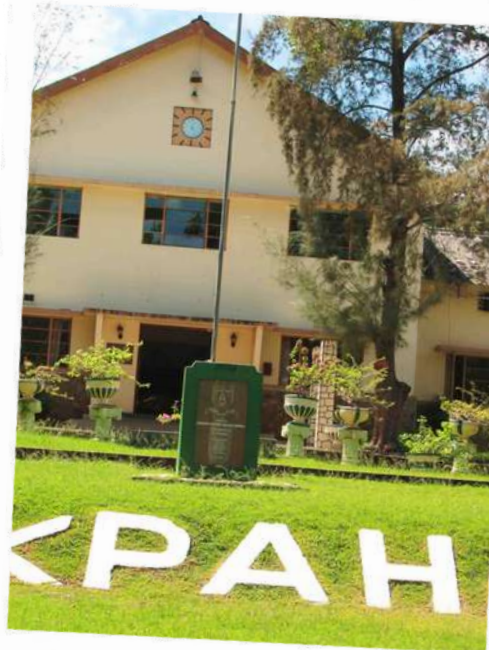
5:30 - 6:30 PM

Visit the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, a Buddhist temple within the royal palace complex on the banks of Kandy lake. It's the holiest shrine in Buddhism and Sri Lanka, enshrining the tooth relic of the Buddha. The temple's stunning architecture, decorative walls, golden roof, and fine woodwork make it an impressive example of ancient Sri Lankan architecture.

Check in to your hotel before **6:45 PM**



The Golden Crown, Kandy for Overnight Stay,
<https://www.thegoldencrownhotel.com>



Wednesday, February 7

Day 10

KANDY - NUWARA ELIYA

Approximately 90km



Depart your hotel at **8:00 AM**



Train Ride to Nuwara Eliya

Departure from Kandy: 8:55 AM

Arrival in Nanu-Oya: 12:45 PM

Enjoy a scenic train ride to Nuwara Eliya from Kandy. You will be picked up at Nanu Oya station.

Lunch in Nuwara Eliya: **1:15 PM to 2:15 PM**



Pedro Tea Factory

2:30 - 3:15 PM

Visit one of Sri Lanka's premier tea factories to experience the art of blending world-class tea. Watch as fresh leaves from the island's finest high-grown tea gardens are expertly processed using techniques passed down over centuries. Savor a refreshing cup of tea.



Nuwara Eliya Town

3:30 - 4:00 PM

Dubbed "little England", this place has an English village feel with a Sri Lankan twist. The mist reveals a golf course turning into tea plantation, while three wheelers zip by a red telephone box.



Nuwara Eliya Post Office

4:00 - 4:15 PM

It is one of the oldest post offices in Sri Lanka constructed by the British in 1894.



Gregory Lake

4:30 - 5:00 PM

Check in to your hotel before **5:15 PM**



Araliya Red, Nuwara Eliya for Overnight Stay

<https://www.araliyaresorts.com/araliya-red/>



Thursday, February 8

Day 11

NUWARA ELIYA - KITULGALA - COLOMBO

Approximately 180km



Depart your hotel at **8:00 AM**



Saint Clair's Fall

9:30 - 9:45 AM



Devon Falls

10:00 - 10:15 AM



White Water Rafting

11:30 - 12:30 PM

Lunch at Kitulgala: **12:30 - 1:15 PM**

Arrive in Colombo and check in to your hotel before
4:00 PM



Falle Face Hotel, Colombo for Overnight Stay

<https://www.gallefacehotel.com>



Friday, February 9

Day 12 COLOMBO

Approximately 30km



Spend the morning leisure at your hotel.

Depart your hotel at **2:00 PM**



Colombo Lighthouse

2:00 - 2:15 PM

Built in 1952, the lighthouse is a symbol of maritime heritage of Colombo, and holds a significant place in Sri Lanka's history.



Gangaramaya Temple

2:30 - 3:15 PM

Being a mix of modern architectural and cultural essence, this Buddhist temple is situated not far from the placid waters of Beira Lake and is one of the most important temples in Colombo.



The Arcade Independence Square

3:30 - 4:00 PM

This prominent landmark in the Colombo city, is an attractive shopping complex of renovated buildings of colonial style including the former Western Provincial Council Building & Jawatta Lunatic Asylum.

Be back in your hotel before **4:30 PM**



Galle Face Hotel, Colombo for Overnight Stay

Saturday, February 10

Day 13 COLOMBO - COLOMBO AIRPORT

Approximately 40km



Check out of your rooms by **12:00 PM**. You can still use hotel facilities or go out. **Dinner** in Colombo. Depart Colombo at **10:30 PM**. Arrive at the airport before **11:15 PM** in time for your flight AC 6885 at **2:25 AM**, February 11.

TOUR ENDS



Route

