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INTRODUCTION

Sri Lanka – Indian Ocean’s Tropical Gem & Cultural Kaleidoscope

Just a short flight from Chennai, Mumbai, or Bangalore, Sri Lanka unfolds as the perfect complement to your Indian odyssey. Imagine swapping palace façades for mist-shrouded tea hills, swapping desert dunes for golden beaches—this island of 65,000 kilometers of coastline offers a vivid tapestry of experiences in a compact setting.

Referred to as the “Pearl of the Indian Ocean,” Sri Lanka dazzles with ancient rock-fortresses carved high atop jungle canopies, sacred groves where centuries-old bo-trees cast dappled shade, and colonial railways that wind through emerald tea estates. In the Cultural Triangle, you’ll step back 2,000 years amid colossal stupas and stone-carved Buddhas. Then glide through coastal lagoons on a jeep safari in Yala National Park, where herds of elephants and elusive leopards roam—reminding you of India’s famed wildlife reserves, yet in a uniquely Sri Lankan setting.

Taste the nation’s spicy street-food gems—kottu roti sizzling on a hot griddle, laksa-spiced hopppers by a seaside stall, or freshly plucked king coconut water on a palm-fringed beach. As the sun melts into the Indian Ocean, partake in a Kandyan dance performance or stroll the ramparts of a 17th-century Dutch fort under a blaze of lanterns.

From serene hill-country retreats to lively coastal towns, Sri Lanka is a seamless extension of your Indian journey—just one visa, one flight, and a world of tropical charm away.





How Easy Is It to Visit Sri Lanka?

Sri Lanka's effortless entry procedures, short flight times from India, and a well-connected transport network make adding this island paradise to your Indian itinerary a breeze.

Visa Process

Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA)

- Apply online for a 30-day tourist ETA in minutes; approval typically arrives within 24–48 hours.

Visa on Arrival

- If you're unable to pre-register, you can obtain the ETA at Bandaranaike International Airport (CMB) on landing—just present a passport valid for ≥ 6 months and your return ticket. (Except India).

Extensions

- Visas can be extended up to 6 months by applying at the Department of Immigration in Colombo.

Connectivity & Transport

By Air

- Direct Flights (1–3 hrs) from Indian hubs to Colombo:

By Sea(Ferry Link)

- Seasonal fast-ferry service runs between Tamil Nadu (India) and Jaffna, offering a scenic 3–4 hr sea voyage across the Palk Strait.

Cruise Calls

- Major cruise lines often include Colombo as a port of call for 1–2 day excursions.
- Inter-Island Ferries

Currency Exchange & Payments

Currency

- Sri Lankan Rupee (LKR).

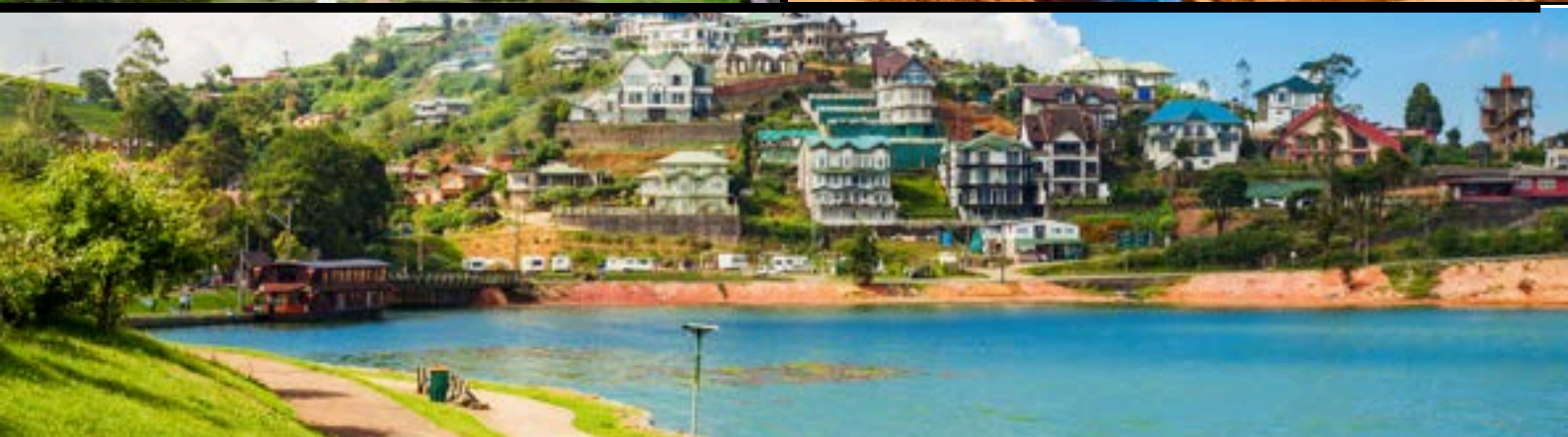
Cash & Cards

- Credit/debit cards (Visa, Mastercard) are widely accepted in hotels, restaurants, and shops.

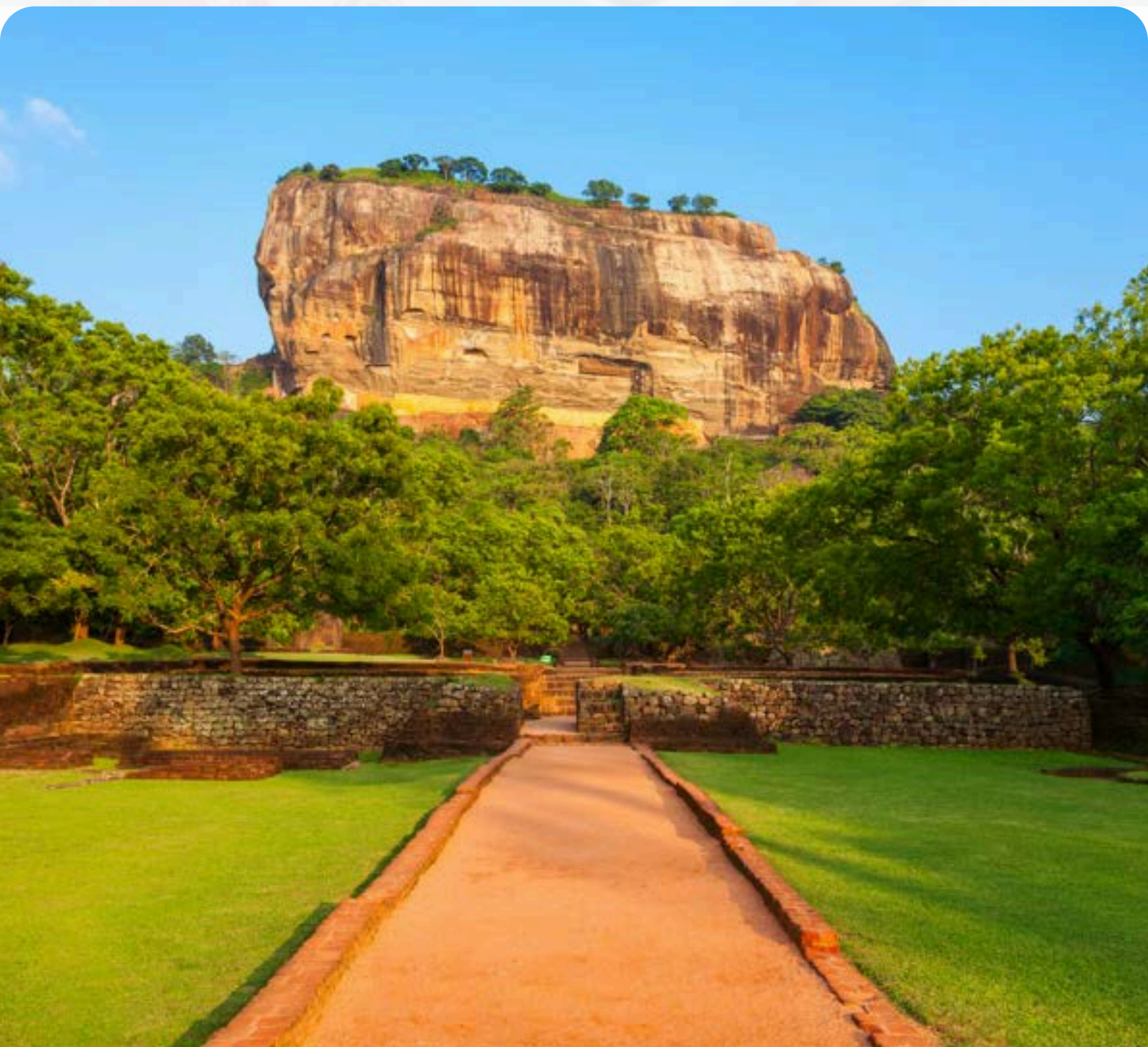
ATMs & Exchange

- ATMs and forex counters are available at airports, city centers, and major tourist hubs.





"GOLDEN SUNSETS PROMISE: YOUR SRI LANKA GETAWAY FROM INDIA"





Extend Your India Trip with Tropical Splendor

Just a 1–3 hour flight from Chennai, Mumbai, or Bengaluru, Sri Lanka unfolds a kaleidoscope of experiences—ancient temples, misty tea hills, wildlife-rich jungles, and palm-fringed beaches—making it the perfect complement to your Indian journey.

- **Cultural Heritage:** Explore UNESCO-listed Sigiriya rock fortress, sacred temples in Kandy, and ancient monastic cities in the Cultural Triangle.
- **Scenic Highlands:** Ride the historic train through emerald tea plantations to Ella’s clifftop viewpoints and misty waterfalls.
- **Wildlife Safaris:** Witness elephants, leopards, and rare birdlife on jeep drives in Yala, Minneriya, or Wilpattu National Parks.
- **Coastal Retreats:** Surf pristine waves in Arugam Bay, relax in luxury resorts on Bentota’s shores, or snorkel colorful reefs off Mirissa.

Maldives Highlights at a Glance

FEATURE	DETAIL
Capital	Colombo
Currency	Sri Lankan Rupee (LKR) (USD & INR widely accepted in tourist areas)
Official Language	Sinhala & Tamil (English commonly spoken)
Time Zone	UTC + 5:30
Visa for Foreigners	ETA: 30 days (apply online); visa on arrival available at CMB
Ideal Stay Duration	5 to 10 days
Climate	Tropical: Dry season Dec–Mar; monsoon Southwest May–Sep & Northeast Oct–Jan

Why Choose Sri Lanka After India?

Continue your South Asia adventure in Sri Lanka—where vibrant festivals echo India’s spirit, ancient ruins rival the subcontinent’s heritage, and tropical landscapes promise both excitement and rest—all just a short hop from your Indian itinerary.

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How to Get There — Seamless from India

Just a short flight from India's major airports to Bandaranaike International Airport (CMB) in Colombo. From there, a well-connected network of domestic transfers whisks you to beaches, highlands, and wildlife parks in no time.

INDIAN CITY	FLIGHT DURATION(ON AN AVG.)	AIRLINES
Delhi	3.40 hours	IndiGo, Air India, SriLankan
Mumbai	2.30 hours	IndiGo, Air India, SriLankan Airlines
Chennai	1.2 hour	SriLankan Airlines, IndiGo, Air India
Bangalore	1.5 hours	IndiGo, Air India, SriLankan Airlines
Kochi	1.10 hours	SriLankan Airlines

Getting Around Sri Lanka

TRANSFER TYPE	DETAILS	TYPICAL TIME
DOMESTIC FLIGHT	Fly between Colombo Jaffna, Trincomalee, Mattala on Helitours or Cinnamon Air	1–1.5 hours
SCENIC TRAIN	Colombo Kandy Nuwara Eliya Ella through tea plantations	4–8 hours per segment
PRIVATE CAR HIRE	Door-to-door transfers with an English-speaking driver	Flexible
EXPRESS BUS	Air-conditioned coaches to major towns (Kandy, Galle, Anuradhapura)	2–4 hours
LOCAL TUK-TUK	Three-wheeler rides for short city trips	10–30 minutes

Pro Tip:

- Book trains and domestic flights early for peak-season travel (Dec–Mar).
- Private car hires offer the most flexibility for off-beat destinations.
- Tuk-tuks are plentiful in cities—always agree on fare or meter before you ride.

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Top Experiences in Sri Lanka

Add Depth to Your South Asia Tour

Heritage Highlights

- Sigiriya Rock Fortress: Climb Lion Rock for ancient frescoes, water gardens, and sweeping jungle panoramas.
- Temple of the Tooth (Kandy): Witness the sacred daily puja beside tranquil Kandy Lake, then explore nearby royal palaces and markets.
- Galle Fort: Stroll colonial streets, browse artisanal boutiques and art galleries, and watch the sun dip behind Dutch ramparts.

Scenic Adventures

- Ill Country Train: Board in Kandy and wind through emerald tea plantations, cascading waterfalls, and mist-shrouded tunnels en route to Ella.
- Adam's Peak at Dawn: Join pilgrims on the 2,243m trek to catch a stunning triangular shadow and sunrise over the clouds.
- Nine Arch Bridge & Little Adam's Peak: Take short treks for iconic viaduct views and panoramic vistas of the Badulla valley.

Wildlife & Nature

- Yala Safari: Jeep through Yala National Park at dawn or dusk in search of leopards, elephants, and water buffalo.
- Elephant Gathering (Minneriya): (June–Sept) Marvel at up to 300 wild elephants converging on the reservoir's banks.
- Rainforest Trek at Sinharaja: Hike under a cathedral canopy of endemic trees—spot rare birds, langur monkeys, and hidden waterfalls.

Taste & Shop

- Street Eats: Savor kottu roti sizzling on the griddle, crispy egg hoppers with sambol, and chilled coconut water, try different type of seafoods.
- Tea Estate Tour: Wander lush estates in Nuwara Eliya—learn tea-plucking, visit a factory, and sip fresh Ceylon tea in a colonial veranda.
- Spice Gardens & Handicrafts: Stroll fragrant spice farms in Matale, then browse batiks, lacquerware, handwoven textiles, and local gemstones.

Wellness & Watersports

- Ayurvedic Spa Retreat: Unwind with herbal steam baths, oil massages, and holistic treatments in a traditional colonial bungalow.
- Surfing & Snorkeling: Ride world-class waves at Arugam Bay or explore vibrant reefs off Unawatuna and Hikkaduwa.
- Whale & Dolphin Watching: Set sail from Mirissa or Trincomalee to encounter blue whales, spinner dolphins, and sea turtles.

Why Wait?

Extend your Indian adventure with a slice of Maldivian paradise—where every moment is a postcard, and luxury meets nature in perfect harmony. A quick flight and a speedboat ride bring you to pure serenity, creating memories that sparkle like the Indian Ocean itself.

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