PRIVATE TOUR: See the best of the Indian Ocean. Discover grand temples, intricate ruins and a rich, intriguing culture combined with beautiful gardens and leafy wildlife parks in spectacular Sri Lanka. Then, breathtaking beaches and idyllic pleasures are waiting to be experienced in stunning Maldives.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights
• Polonnaruwa - 11th century city
• Sigiriya - The famous 5th century fortress ruins
• Dambulla - Remarkable rock temple
• Kandy - Temple of the Tooth, city tour and cultural show and the Ceylon Tea Museum
• Relax in the beautiful Maldives
• Royal Botanical Gardens in Peradeniya
• Matale - Spice gardens

What’s Included
• Breakfast daily, 4 lunches and 5 dinners
• 9 nights STANDARD hotels. SUPERIOR and DELUXE hotel options are also available upon request. Accommodation rating – See Trip Notes for details
• Touring and excursions as per itinerary
• Entrance fees to all included sites in Sri Lanka
• Escorted by a licensed English speaking chauffeur guide in Sri Lanka
• Specialist local guides at some sites
• An airport arrival transfer days 1 and 5, and a departure transfer days 5 and 10
• All transfers and transportation in private air-conditioned tourism vehicles
• A 2 or more people travelling policy applies for this private tour

What’s Not Included
• International flights and visas
• Flight from Colombo (Sri Lanka) to Male (Maldives)
• Tipping - An entirely personal gesture

ITINERARY

Day 1: Colombo to Giritale
Colombo - Giritale. Welcome to Sri Lanka! Upon arrival at Colombo Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Giritale.
Overnight - Giritale (B)

Day 2: Polonnaruwa & Sigiriya
Today we enjoy a sightseeing tour of Polonnaruwa, once the capital city of Sri Lanka, now a world heritage site. See the intricate ruins of the Royal Palace, the Lotus bath, King Parakramabahu’s Statue and a beautiful artificial lake, as well as several temples. Afterwards, we head to Sigiriya where we climb to the top Lion rock to see the remains of this amazing 5th century fortress.
Overnight - Giritale (B)

Day 3: Dambulla Rock Temple
Giritale - Kandy. En route to Kandy, we explore Dambulla Rock Temple, located in a cave. Here, we view the ornate painted walls and ceilings comprising of over 150 images of the Buddha. See the colossal figure of the Buddha carved out of rock and spanning 14 metres. Next, we head to the spice garden in Matale to learn about how the spices are grown. In the evening, we visit the splendid Temple of the Tooth Relic, afterwards we enjoy a cultural show featuring traditional Sri Lankan dancing.
Overnight - Kandy (B)

Day 4: Kandy city tour
This morning we take a leisurely stroll and admire the Royal Botanical gardens in
Sri Lanka & the Maldives

Peradeniya, home to 147 acres of flowers, trees and plants. Next, we enjoy a city tour of Kandy, visiting the town, bazaar, arts and crafts centre, a gem museum and lapidary. There'll also be a visit to the Ceylon Tea Museum where you can learn all about the tea-picking process. Afterwards, we head to Colombo.

**Overnight - Colombo (B)**

**Days 5-9 : Relaxation in the Maldives**

Colombo - Male. Transfer to the airport on day 5 for your flight to Male (NOTE: the flight is not included in this package, please let us know your flight details so we can arrange the airport transfers accordingly) . Upon arrival in Male, we will be met at the airport and transferred to the resort by speedboat and the rest of the day is free for you to relax in paradise!

Enjoy a four blissful days relaxing on the white sands, swimming, snorkelling and admiring the sparkling seas. There's so much to do - why not take a glass bottom boat ride, go reef diving, fishing, surfing or just laze about.

**Overnight - Maldives (B:5, L:4, D:5)**

**Day 10 : Male**

Transfer back to Male Airport for your onward flight.

Consider extending your stay and go in search of Sri Lanka's elephants, leopards and abundant wildlife in one or more of Sri Lanka's famous national parks. Extend your stay by a day, a week or even two! We offer a variety of properties for you to choose from. Browse our best places to visit, Sri Lanka's best beaches or wildlife in Sri Lanka pages for suggestions on what to see and do on your holiday. If you can't find what you're looking for, please let us know so we can accommodate your request.(B)

**PRICES / DATES INFO**

The 'Twin Share' price is per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. The 'Solo Room' price is applicable when a single room is required. Prices are based on a travelling party of at least 2 adults. Please note - if you are travelling over Christmas/New Year period a supplement will apply.

**PRICES / DATES 2021**

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