

WHALE WATCHING TOUR 6 DAYS

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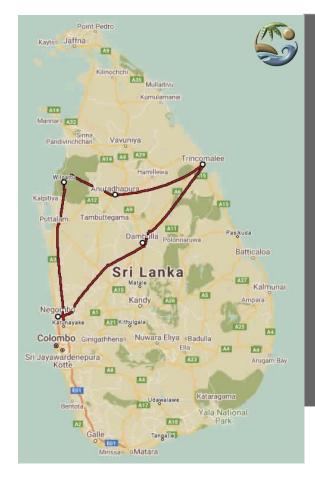
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Overview:

- A 7-day tour focusing on Sri Lanka's East Coast
- Whale watching (in season), top beaches, wildlife
- For all Age Groups For all Group Sizes
- Special Packages for Solo Travellers available
- Private Transportation with an experienced chauffeur guide
- Fully Customizable
- 24/7 Customer Hotline

This tour package, covering Sri Lanka's East Coast, is ideal for more individual travellers or young families. The main focus is on selected beaches, whale watching, snorkelling, and must-see cultural attractions.

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Tour Itinerary:

DAY 01:

Colombo / Wilpattu National Park / Anuradhapura

After meeting you at the airport or your hotel on Sri Lanka's West Coast, we'll drive to Anuradhapura, visiting the Wilpattu National Park on the way. The Wilpattu wildlife sanctuary is located close to the historical city of Anuradhapura and was declared a National Park in 1938. Home to a population of roughly 50 wild leopards, it is also important for residents and migratory waterbirds due to the natural lakes. The history of the park is also of interest with ancient ruins pointing to a queen named "Kuweni" (considered to be the mother of the Sinhala race) who is said to have lived in a place known as Kalli Villu. Historical evidence also shows the fact that Prince Saliya, son of King Dutugemunu lived in Wilpattu over 2,000 years ago.

DAY 02:

Anuradhapura / Trincomalee / Kanniya Hot Springs

Anuradhapura is the most celebrated of Sri Lanka's ancient ruined cities. This city is the repository of several priceless treasures of Buddhism and as a World Heritage site definitely a MUST for every visitor to Sri Lanka. One is the dagoba of Thuparama, an immense spire-topped dome that is believed to enshrine the collarbone of the Buddha himself. The base of the temple is surrounded by a frieze of elephants in bas relief. Another remarkable treasure in Anuradhapura is the sacred Bo Tree said to have been grown from a branch of the tree under which Siddhartha Gautama Buddha attained enlightenment. As the story goes, a sapling of the ficus religiosa that sheltered the Buddha was brought from the Magadha Kingdom of ancient India to Sri Lanka in a golden bowl 2,250 years ago and planted on this spot in Sri Lanka, bowl and all. It is said to be the oldest authenticated tree in the world.

Later we proceed to Trincomalee on the East Coast. Trincomalee has been an important port city since ancient times. Set on a peninsula, Fort Frederick was built initially by the Portuguese and captured in 1639 by the Dutch. Within its grounds, the grand Koneswaram Temple stands on Swami Rock cliff, a popular vantage point for blue-whale watching. The holy complex contains ornate shrines and a massive statue of Shiva. Nearby Gokanna Temple has panoramic views over the city and the coastline.

In the late afternoon, you will visit Kanniya Hot Wells. The seven hot water wells in Kenniya revolve around the myth and legend of Ramayana. It is believed the springs appeared after King Ravana struck the ground seven times with his sword. The water in each well varies in heat and sometimes bubbles up like a pot of boiling water. The water is believed to contain healing properties that cure skin ailments and arthritis.

DAY 03:

Trincomalee / Whale Watching / Snorkelling / Beach

Just off the coast of Sri Lanka swims the majestic blue whale, the largest creature on earth. Nowhere in the world is it possible to see these ocean giants so close to shore. Depending on the conditions, this gives you the opportunity to watch blue whales along with sperm whales, orcas, playful spinner and bottlenose dolphins, turtles, and whale sharks in their natural environment. Whale Watching can be done from the shore or on board an excursion boat.

In the afternoon it's time to enjoy the truly tropical beach. Nilaveli is facing the Pigeon Island Marine National Park and is perfect for snorkelling or scuba diving. Bright corals and colourful fish swarms can be seen directly through the crystal clear waters.

DAY 04:

Trincomalee / Sightseeing / Snorkelling / Beach

Free Day to relax on the beach and/or enjoy some Trincomalee Sightseeing.

DAY 05:

Trincomalee / Sigiriya / Negombo

Climb the UNESCO World Heritage Site Sigiriya Rock in Sri Lanka's 'Cultural Triangle', where you will have a chance to gaze over the stunning views of Central Sri Lanka. Sigiriya (sometimes called Lion's Rock) is the ruins of an ancient palace in a 200m high rock fortress, overlooking the beautiful plains of North-Central Sri Lanka. Built for an exiled Indian prince, the breathtaking ruins are one of Sri Lanka's main tourist attractions and date back to AD 477. Despite its age, Sigiriya still retains much of its former beauty and features some of the finest examples of ancient art in the form of wall paintings, as well as a network of attractive gardens and reservoirs, and Sigiriya's namesake – a gigantic pair of lion's paws cut into the rock. With its fascinating history and unerring beauty, Sigiriya

is often referred to as the 8th wonder of the world and the UNESCO-sponsored Central Cultural Fund has even restored Sigiriya's 5th century Water Gardens so that you can get a glimpse of what Sigiriya might have been like thousands of years ago.

Negombo Beach was Sri Lanka's first beach resort and is the ideal place to start or end your holiday in Sri Lanka. Enjoy watching the old-world fishing crafts like the outrigger canoes and the catamarans bringing a variety of marine fishes like seers, skipjacks, pomfrets, and amber-jacks. In the lagoon lobsters and prawns are caught and served as fascinating delicacies in the restaurants.

DAY 06:

Airport / Colombo or any other destination on Sri Lanka's West Coast

Depending on your plans or your departure time, you can leave after breakfast directly for the airport or spend the waiting time on a Negombo sightseeing Tour. Near the waterfront, you find the remains of the 17th-century Dutch Fort and the Negombo Lagoon, lined with fishermen's huts, feeding into the Dutch-era Hamilton Canal. The neoclassical St. Mary's Church features a ceiling decorated with vivid religious paintings. End of Tour.

Tour Includes

- Accommodation at selected Hotels in double room (sharing)
- Meal Plan: Breakfast and dinner (half-board)
- Experienced, English-speaking driver/guide with required guiding permit.
- French, German, Russian, Italian, Japanese speaking guides can be booked for a small surcharge.
- Private transportation by a/c luxury limousine or Japanese Mini Van with driver/guide
- Full vehicle/passenger insurance by Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation Ltd.
- Driver Accommodation & Meals
- 24/7 Customer Hotline
- Train Tickets

Optional

- Wi-Fi
- Free Baby Seat
- Free Wheelchair
- Free Baby Cot (below 3 years)

Tour Does Not Include:

Client(s) Medical / Travel Insurance
Meals not mentioned above
Applicable Entrance Fees
International/Domestic Flights
Personal Expenses
Tips/Porterage
Excursions not mentioned in the Tour Itinerary

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