

SRI LANKA SAILING & DIVING TOUR (EAST COAST) 12 DAYS

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Overview:

- A 12-day east coast Sailing & Diving Experiences Tour
- 3-day sailing charter
- whale/dolphin watching, diving/snorkeling, tea plantations, jeep safari
- white water rafting, rainforest, trekking
- selected cultural highlights
- local markets
- For all Age Groups For all Group Sizes
- Special Packages for Solo Travelers available
- Private Transportation with an experienced chauffeur guide
- Fully Customizable
- 24/7 Customer Hotline

This handcrafted Sri Lanka tour package includes the best Sri Lanka has to offer -ABOVE AND BELOW THE INDIAN OCEAN. This seasonal tour is available from May until October. For South Coast Sailing (November - mid-April) check out our Sri Lanka Sailing - Diving - Experiences (South Coast)

SAFE & SECURE! We provide you with a safe, but non-intrusive travel environment, implementing strict protection measures for all our staff, vehicles, and partner hotels. You will be traveling with your partner, friends, and/or family only, no sharing!



Tour Itinerary:

DAY 01:

Pick Up/Airport - Negombo

Arrive at Colombo airport and transfer to your beach hotel in Negombo (15 minutes from the airport) to acclimatize. Relax at the pool/beach.

DAY 02:

Negombo - Trincomalee - Sailing Catamaran

After breakfast leave for Trincomalee on Sri Lanka's 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.

In the afternoon board your sailing catamaran (max. 8 passengers) and set sail for a sunset cruise and dinner on board.

Night anchorage is in Back Bay, below the Koneswaram Temple.

DAY 03:

Trincomalee - Sailing Catamaran

Breakfast on board as the crew sets sail to search for the Sperm whales and dolphins. Lunch on board and continue to sail toward Lankapatuna for dinner and night anchorage

DAY 04:

Trincomalee - Sailing Catamaran - Fort Frederick

After breakfast on board, you can make the most out of the calm waters by swimming, snorkeling (snorkeling equipment will be provided) and/or stand up paddling (SUP). Lunch will be served on the way back to Dutch Bay in Trinco. Disembark at the public beach at 1 pm and visit Fort Frederick.

DAY 05:

Trincomalee - Nilaveli

Time for exploration of the outstanding beaches around Trincomalee, like Nilaveli, a small fishing village. Facing the Pigeon Island Marine National Park and it is just perfect for snorkeling or scuba diving^{**}. Bright corals and colorful fish swarms can be seen directly through the crystal clear waters.

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DAY 07:

Trincomalee - Sigiriya - Minneriya National Park

After you check into your hotel in Sigiriya, it's time for a jeep safari at the Minneriya National Park. Elephants gathered here number around 150–200. Some reports account for the number of elephants to be as high as 700. They migrate here from Wasgamuwa National Park and benefit from the food and shelter of the park's forest.

DAY 08:

Sigiriya Rock Fortress - Hiriwadunna Village

In the morning it's time to visit the Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Built on top of a mountain, Sigiriya was designated a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1982. It's Asia's best-preserved city of the first millennium, showing complex urban planning around the base of the rock, and sheer bravado combined with sophisticated engineering and irrigation skills in the palace perched on the summit.

An afternoon visit to the Hiriwadunna Village gives you an insight into rural Sri Lankan life and the traditional cottage industries.

DAY 09:

Sigiriya - Dambulla - Ayurvedic Spice Garden - Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic On the way to Kandy, the 'cultural capital' of Sri Lanka, you'll visit the Dambulla Cave Temples. Dambulla is a complex of five cave temples filled with Buddhist murals and many Buddha statues. The first cave is filled with the 47-foot-long recumbent image of the meditating Buddha. In the second cave, there are 150 beautifully carved and preserved gilded statues of gods and Buddhas. The rock ceilings are painted in brilliantly preserved and intricately detailed patterns and images of the holy figures.

An original Ayurvedic Spice Garden is the next stop, followed by the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic. Sri Dalada Maligawa or the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic is located in the royal palace complex of the former Kingdom of Kandy.

DAY 10:

Kandy - Hill Country - Kitulgala

A scenic drive through the hill country, passing lush tea plantations and spectacular viewpoints brings you to Kitulgala. Here you can go white water rafting or explore a rainforest on a bicycle or on foot.

DAY 11:

Kandy - Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage - Colombo

On the way to Colombo, visit the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage, accounting for around fifty elephants at any given time. Most of these elephants were orphans who lost their parents to poachers or as a result of simply being left behind by their herd. Many were badly wounded when found, like a female elephant who had lost her eyesight as a result of a poacher's gunshot.

After you check into your Colombo Hotel, embark on a Colombo sightseeing/shopping tour. Colombo is the commercial and political heart of Sri Lanka. A fascinating mix of old and new, with a central cluster of high-rise office blocks and hotels overshadowing red-tiled colonial-era buildings and sprawling street markets which overflow with high piled fruit and vegetables, colorful silks and cotton, and deliciously fragrant spices.

DAY 12:

Colombo - Airport - or your next destination in Sri Lanka After breakfast leave for the airport or your next destination in Sri Lanka. End of tour.

Tour Includes:

- Accommodation at selected Hotels in double room (sharing)
- Meal Plan: Breakfast and dinner (half-board)
- Full Board on the sailing catamaran
- 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

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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