

Why Holiday In Sri Lanka?

The travel destinations in Sri Lanka are many and no other tourist destination can provide the variety Sri Lanka has to offer from the ancient wonders of a 2500 year history, golden beaches, an aesthetic cultural experience, misty mountains, tropical forests, jungle resorts & a countless variety of accommodation options, water sports, traditional medicine, to indulging your taste buds in authentic local cuisine & mouthwatering fruits. You can also be in one with nature and cleanse body, mind & soul in a meditation retreat or propose to your loved one & hold a magnificent destination wedding/honeymoon, plan a corporate holiday cum conference or even live like a local.

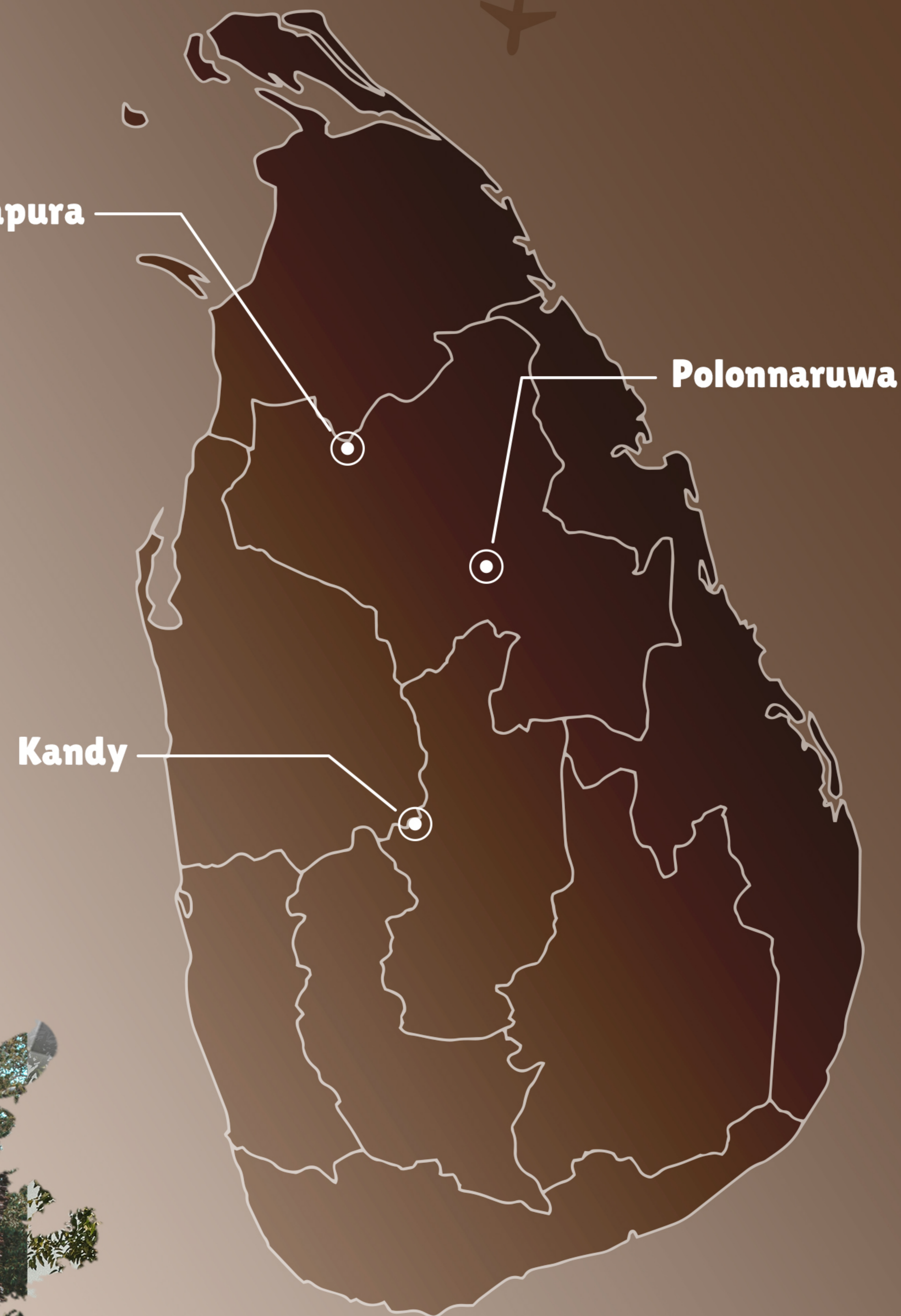
'Sri Lanka provides a plethora of pleasures for any traveler'

Above all else, is the world famous hospitality Sri Lanka affords with heart-warming welcoming smiles found nowhere else on earth.

*We Turn Your Dream Into Reality
Come See Sri Lanka And
See For Yourself.*

See Cultural Triangle

A written history of 2500 years, an island steeped in mysticism of a proud ancient heritage, the Cultural Triangle embodies areas identified today as UNESCO World Heritage Sites and were formerly known as the "Raja Rata" or Kings Land, of the great Sinhalese Kings who built a civilization based on agriculture & Buddhist principles.





See Sandy Beaches

Being a tropical paradise island, Sri Lanka is naturally surrounded by sun, sea & beaches. Whether you want to surf, watch whales/ dolphins, snorkel or simply relax and chill out, there are nice hotspots to choose from depending on the season you opt to holiday in.

'Sri Lanka is suitable to travel all year round'

*Best Beaches By Season
(Though Weather Is Now Unpredictable):*

November To January
South West Coast Beaches
April To July
North East Coast Beaches



Water Activities



River Boat Safari | Bird Watching

Scuba Diving

Sea Plane

Sea Plane

Water Skiing

Banana /Tube Fun Rides
Jet skiing | Water Skiing

Sea Plane

Banana /Tube Fun Rides | Sea Plane

white Water Rafting

Sea Plane

Wind surfing

Kayaking

Surfing | Underwater Photography

Wind surfing | Jet skiing
Water Skiing | Speed Boat Rides
Sea plane | Lagoon Canoein

River Boat Safari

Surfing | Snorkeling
Scuba Diving | Water Skiing

Snorkeling

Lagoon Canoein

Snorkeling | Surfing

Sea Turtles

Whale/ Dolphin Watching

Surfing



See Central Highlands & Tea Plantations

▲ Mountain Peaks
★ Waterfalls
● Nature Trails
Camping / Hiking & Trekking
🌿 Tea Trails

Pidurangala
Meemire
World's End
Wild Clamping Knuckles
Pidurutalagala
Lovers Leap Fall
Leolecondara
Sri Pada
Hirigalpoththa
Bopath Ella
Bambarakanda
Kendagala
Ramboda
Horton Plains
Thotupola Kanda
Rassagala
Dunhinda
Diyaluma
Ella Rock
Kirigalpotta

A tour of Sri Lanka's UNESCO listed World Heritage Central Highland includes some breathtaking and picturesque landscape rich in natural beauty and awesome panoramic views. Travelers can experience an adventure tour complete with trekking, camping, hiking or enjoy nature's wonders in meditative solitude in eco-centric wellness retreats. A visit to the Central Highland of Sri Lanka takes you to over 300 waterfalls, dams & bridges, thick forest vegetation, tea trails, train ride on the 9-arch bridge. Round up your trip with a visit to the last capital of Sri Lanka and visit the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic of Buddha in Kandy, Your tour of the Central Highlands will mainly cover Matale, Kandy, Nuwara Eliya, Badulla, Kitulgala, Hatton, Haputale, Ella, Sinharaja Forest Reserve.



See Wildlife & Nature's Paradise

Sri Lanka's wildlife tours will captivate wildlife enthusiasts, travellers, film makers and photographers. Sri Lanka has 26 national parks filled with exotic animals, 22 bird watching sites, opportunity to watch dolphins and whales and to even visit an elephant orphanage.






-The Governor's Mansion-



-Mountbatten Bungalow-



-Galle Face Hotel-



**-Grand Hotel
Nuwara Eliya-**



**-Queens Hotel
Kandy-**



-Grand Orient Hotel-



-Amangalla Hotel-

-Galle Fort Hotel-



See Colonial Heritage

Sri Lanka was occupied by the Portuguese, the Dutch & the British from 1505 till Sri Lanka gained independence from Colonial Britain in 1948 before becoming a Republic in 1972. Therefore, the colonial presence can be seen in the form of churches, forts, road names, hotels, buildings, bungalows, museums and one can still experience “Little England” in Nuwara Eliya.



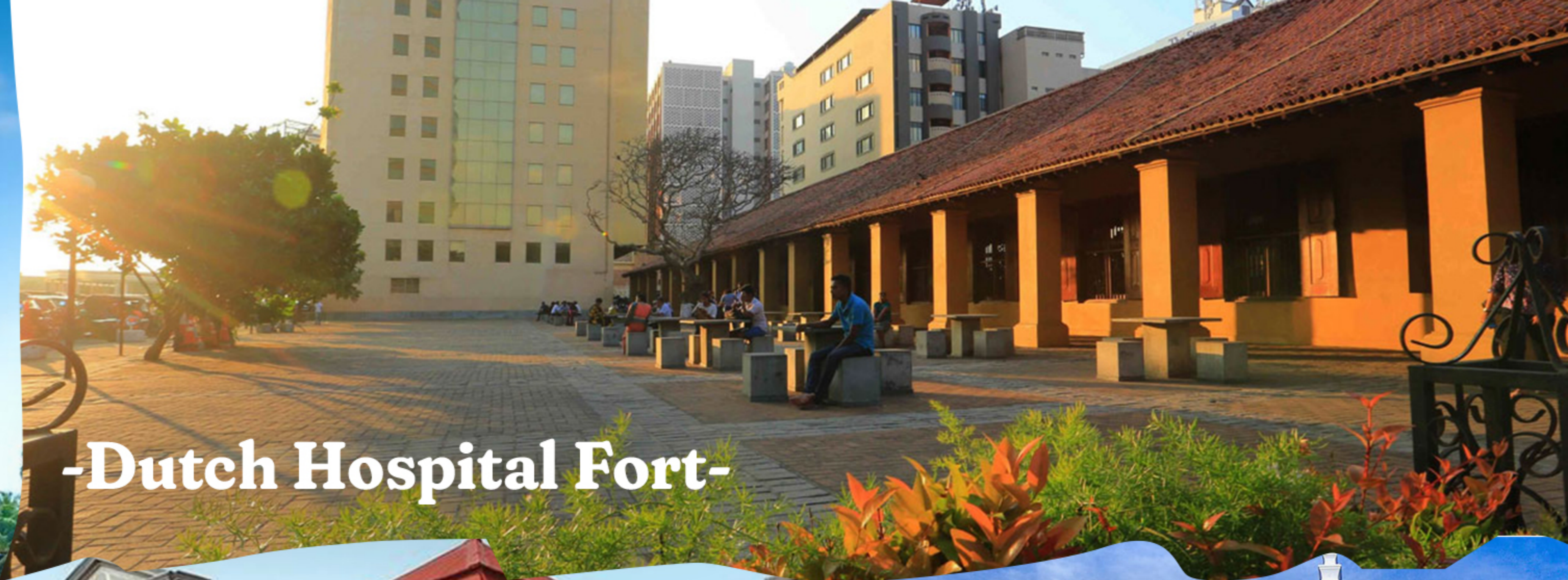
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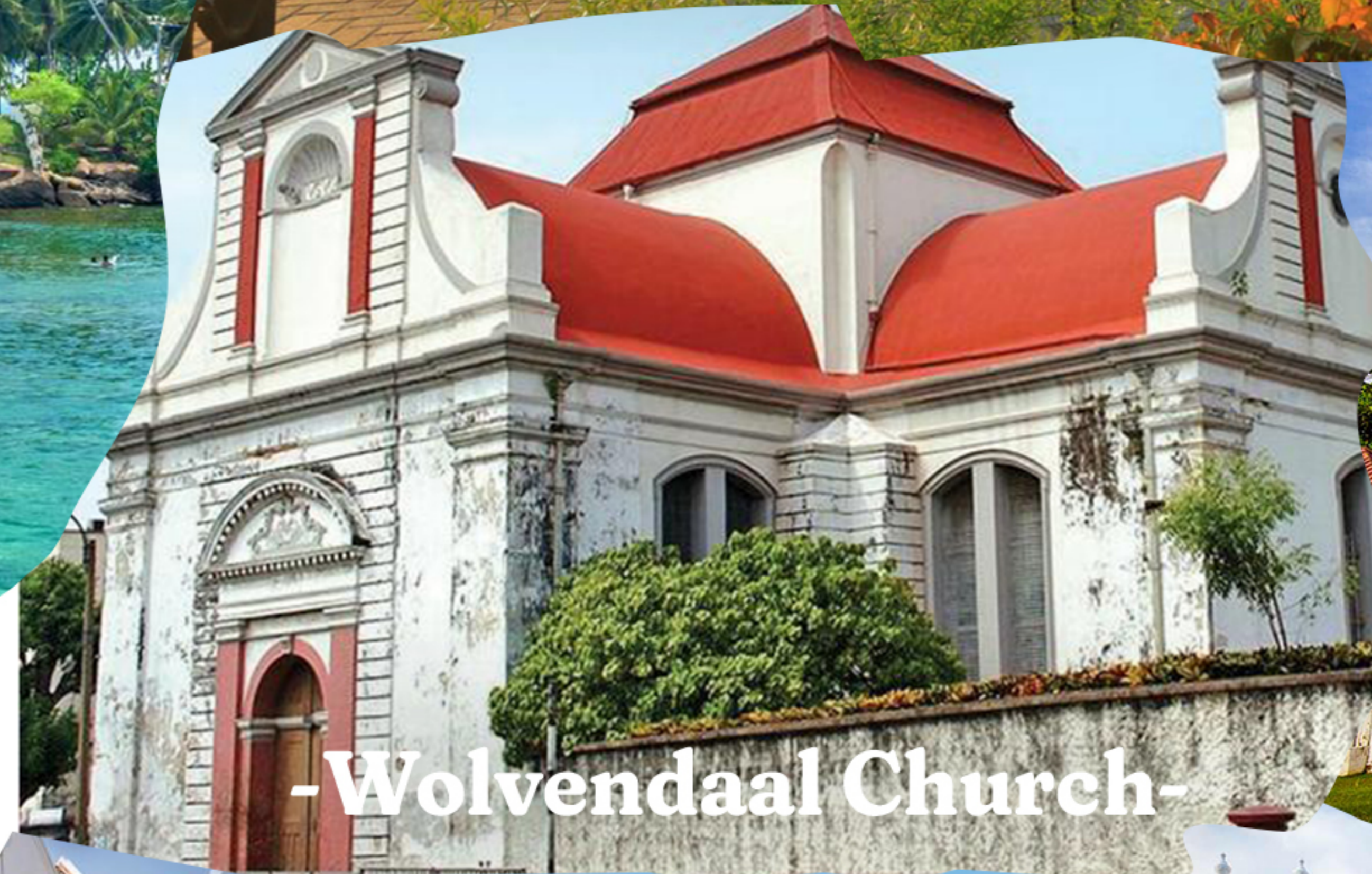
-Negombo Fort-



-Galle Fort-



-Dutch Hospital Fort-



-Wolvendaal Church-



-Dutch Reformed Church-



-Colombo Fort-



St. Stephens Church-



-Cargills Building Fort-



Colombo National Museum-



-Jaffna Fort-



-St. Anthony's Church-



-Colombo Clock Tower-



-Jaffna Public Library-



-All Saints Church-



-Kandy Town Hall-



-Old Post Office Kandy-



-Trincomalee Naval Base Fort-

See Spices, Handicrafts, Gems & Go Shopping

With a 2500 year history, Sri Lanka has a rich and diverse variety of handicrafts and spices and gems that drew traders to its shores since ancient times. Some of these unique arts & crafts are a challenge to continue in times where machinery are replacing human hands. Tourists can relive some amazing moments experiencing Sri Lanka's mask tradition, lacquer work, drums, batik, stone carvings, handlooms, brasswork, coir, beeralu lace, clay pottery, jewellery making, mat-weaving, wood & coconut based products. Tourists must also visit the spice garden & smell the world famous cinnamon, pepper, cardamom, nutmeg & mace.

Sri Lanka has an array of precious and semi-precious gems to choose from. The engagement ring given to Lady Diana Spencer by Charles, the Prince of Wales was a 12 carat Ceylon Sapphire.





See Spirituality Wellness Retreats For Mind Body & Soul

In this fast-paced world, little time has been allocated for "YOU". Rest your mind, body, cleanse your chakras and enhance your aura with a well-deserved treat for yourself. Sri Lanka offers plenty of places to relax and rejuvenate- there are wellness and meditation retreats, yoga sessions, aura/chakra healing as well as Hela medicines. Learn about healthy foods to eat, or simply get away and be one with nature listening to the birds, watching nature's bounties and giving your mind & body some relaxing time. Enjoy some holistic pampering. Enjoy some holistic pampering and treat yourself with a holiday that cleanses your mind & body.

Buddha is the founder of mindfulness. He said you & your mind is the creator of your destiny.

See Fun & Future— Destination Wedding, Honeymoon, Corporate Events

Are you planning to propose to the love of your life, looking for an exotic wedding venue, thinking about an international corporate conference, considering a holiday cum board meeting abroad - Sri Lanka is the perfect choice and venue for weddings & honeymoons. Wed on the beach, on top of a mountain, in the jungle, amongst nature, or wed like a local - try out something different, the choices are many. Say "I do" in Sri Lanka.





See Where To Stay

For any traveler deciding on a holiday depends on the type of holiday he/she desires and most importantly where they want to stay throughout their holiday. There are plenty of options away from the conventional tourist hotels. Sri Lanka has an array of choices – you can opt to stay in a contemporary 3-4-5 star hotel, on the beachfront, a boutique villa, a colonial bungalow, cottages on top of hills, luxury villas on mountains or jungle resorts, eco-villas, on top of tree houses, on a river boat, or even on a ship at sea, inside a camping tent amongst breathtaking landscapes or even in a local village living like a local villager. If you are coming in a group – you can even book an entire villa/bungalow in a location that caters to your theme. The choice is yours and the varieties are many.



See Sri Lanka – What To Pack

Packing for your holiday largely depends on the type of trip you have selected and the duration of your holiday.

However, there is a strict dress code to visit Buddhist temples. You must cover your knees and shoulders when entering sacred sites & be clad in white or light colored clothes. Caps, hats and slippers are to be removed when entering temples. It is advised to carry lightweight clothes and a good sturdy pair of sandals, or boots for those opting for the adventurous holiday full of hiking and trekking.

Sample packing list for a one week itinerary can include:

- Comfy shoes or Sandals
- Hiking shoes
- Mosquito repellent
- Sunscreen
- Dry shampoo
- Hand sanitizer
- A sweater or sweatshirt
- Warm & light clothing
- Bathing suit
- Camera, charger, power bank




Best Time To See Sri Lanka

Now that you have an idea of what you can expect to see in Sri Lanka and thought about what you want to see & experience, got an idea of the type of accommodation you wish to stay in and you are all excited about packing your bags, you will need to decide when you propose to come to See Sri Lanka.

Being a tropical island nation, it all depends on the Maha monsoon affecting North & East coast from October to January & the Yala monsoon affecting South & West coast from May to August.

This means from October to January the South & West coast are ideal to tour while May to August is ideal to visit North & East coast. December to March are ideal to visit the Central Highlands.

However, with climate change, weather forecasts are unpredictable. Generally, Sri Lanka is sunny throughout the year apart from the rainy seasons but there are alternatives to ensure you have the best holiday ever.



See You In Sunny Smiling Sri Lanka

For an Island that is about 270 miles tall & 140 miles wide, Sri Lanka has an awesome offering for any type of tourist. From culture to beaches, to plantations, to colonial heritage, wildlife, water sports, wellness retreats, handicrafts, colorful cultural festivals, rich history, ancient marvels and the list goes on.

What is unique is that the tourist can customize a theme holiday but pack in most of the other theme venues into the holiday bucket list too. Every tourist returns home encapsulated by what Sri Lanka has to offer while knowing there is still so much more to return & see.

Let us customize your dream holiday into a reality



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