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## Final itinerary

Program for Sri Lanka (School tour)

06 days Sri Lanka Tour

### Hotel web site

<http://www.ramadakatunayake.com/>

<http://www.alpinehotel.lk/>

<http://www.udawalawesafari.com/>

<http://www.centarahotelsresorts.com/centara/ccs/>

Your tour route during the tour .....



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## Detailed Tour Itinerary –Sri Lanka

### Basic features of your package:

**Tour Type:** School group tour

**Tour Route:** Katunayake, Kithulgala, Nuwara Eliya, Udawalwe, Thanamalwila, Bentota, Colombo, departure

**Vehicle:** private air-conditioned vehicle and licensed driver

**Guide Service:** private English-speaking guide

**Highlights:** Nature walk, Tea Plucking, Trek through the Horton's Plain National park, Jeep Safari at Udawalwe national park, Village visit, Catamaran ride, Vibrant Colombo

### Day by day itinerary:

#### Day 1

##### Arrival/ Katunayake

**Meals:** xxxx

Upon your arrival at the Bandaranaike International Airport (20 minutes, 10Km), you will be welcomed by a tour guide of Comfort Travels & Tours and then be escorted to your hotel. Recover any jet lag

Accommodation: Ramada Katunayake, Deluxe room

<http://www.ramadakatunayake.com/>

No. 842, Negombo Road, Seeduwa, Sri Lanka. Telp: 011 2253646/7

**Note:** Buddhism is extremely respected in Sri Lanka, any disrespectful words or acts may cause deportation or denial of entry, e.g. Buddha tattoos, kissing/climbing/riding Buddha statue, drinking inside a temple, etc.

#### Day 2

##### Katunayake /Kithulgala/Nuwara Eliya

**Transfer via:** Private vehicle,

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch (on the way at local restaurant), and Dinner

Breakfast at the hotel & proceed to Kithulgala ( app2hrs by coach 84 km ) to have an truly adventure experience in kithulgala **Kitulgala** is a small town in the west of Sri Lanka. It is in the wet zone rain forest, which gets two monsoons each year, and is one of the wettest places in the country. The Academy Award-winning *The Bridge on the River Kwai* was filmed on the Kelani River near Kitulgala; Kitulgala is also a base for white-water rafting, which starts a few kilometers upstream. Experience -1 hour **Flat water rafting** in the picturesque Kelani River in Kitulgala (Grade 1 difficulty: very small rough areas might require slight maneuvering with very basic skill)

Later continue to Nuwara eliya ( app3hrs by coach 71 km )On the way to Nuwara Eliya get escorted to a tea plantation and a tea factory, where the world's best Ceylon Tea is produced. After learn about the

process of manufacturing tea & Sir Thomas Lipton and Ceylon tea **get hands-on experience of tea picking**, and don't forget to sip a cup of pure Ceylon tea in the factory. Upon arrival in Nuwara Eliya check in to your lovely hotel & relax.

Accommodation: Alpine Hotel, Deluxe room

<http://www.alpinehotel.lk/>

4, Haddon Hill Rd, Nuwara Eliya. Telp: 052 2 223500

### Day 3

**Nuwara Eliya /Horton's Plain National Park/Ella /Udawalwe**

**Transfer via:** Private vehicle,

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch (on the way at local restaurant), Dinner

Morning check out from hotel & Visit **Horton's plain national park** ( **app 1 hrs by coach 30 km,**) (**pick nic breakfast** ), Horton Plains (**walking time app 2.5hrs**) is home to an extraordinary range of flora and fauna. The Park (10,000 ha), named after British governor Sir Robert Horton is a world apart from rest of the tropical island. This is the islands highest & most isolated plain, a result of millions of years of erosion. The importance of conservation of the park lies in, among others, in its role as the catchment area of the major rivers of the island.

Later ascending to Ella ( **app 1.5hrs by coach 49 km,**), After Lunch descend to jungle of Udawalwe ( **app 2 hrs by coach 95 km** just passing Ella gap & **cascading Rawana water fall....** Upon arrival in Udawalwe check in to your lovely hotel & relax

Accommodation: Grand Udawalwe, Deluxe room

<http://www.udawalwesafari.com/>

No. 912, Thanamalvila Rd, Udawalawa. Telp: 47 2 232000

### Day 4

**Udawalwe/Thanamalwila/Udawalwe**

**Transfer via:** Private vehicle,

**Meals:** Breakfast, **Lunch at village home,** Dinner

Visit the village via visiting the Elephant transit home. Elephant Transit Home (ETH) is a temporarily orphanage situated in the Udawalawe National Park. The ETH is under the responsibility of the Sri Lankan governmental body, the Department of Wildlife Conservation. The baby Elephants in ETH come from all over Sri Lanka when they lose their mother's or when they are separated from their mother. Different cases are possible: the mother could die because of the Elephants - Humans conflict, or the baby elephant can fall in a river and be lost far from its mother.

Later leave for **Thanamlwila Village in rustic area** ( **app 45minutes by coach 30 km.**

It can be a truly fascinating experience to observe various aspects of authentic Sri Lankan village life including fishing, wood carving, farming etc. and experience villagers' joys and sorrows while escape from hectic urban life, at the beginning we will walk the stairs to the top of one of the ancient temples for a panoramic view of the village, you will be talk about the irrigation system & paddy cultivation. Later we will have a short walk thru paddy & Tank Bund, next we will go the **Village school & start the teaching session - (you will be given 2.5hrs)**

Later you will be invited to visit one home in a village to indulge in a other activities of our village visit in that home you divided in to-groups & you will **help to mother to prepare lunch** –a special lunch (fresh vegetables..Etc) will be prepared by students and actively take part in preparation of food so they will have

knowledge of how Sri Lanka food is prepared with different kind of spices. Lunch will be served with “Nelum Kole (lotus leaf) by the village people with their warm hospitality. Thereafter you will be given some time to **make an interview of village people** about their local life, relations, etc (tour guide will do the translation part) at the end of this part your tour guide will make a Conclusion about village life (daily routine, entertainment, communal spiritual, aspiration)

Later you will engage in an interesting activity of learn how to wear **saree** (a dress for ladies) & **sarom** for (a dress for men)-one lady & men from village will demonstrate you how to wear it & you can follow them Thereafter - Enjoy an **open tractor ride (use of villagers) to Village tank** & enjoy a Canoeing ride at the lake (life jacket will be provided). Great place to spot some bird species with your luck, return to hotel ( **app 45minutes by coach 30 km** with the pleasant memories of the day ....

Accommodation: Grand Udawalwe, Deluxe room

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## Day 5

### Udawalwe/Bentota

**Transfer via:** Private vehicle,

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch (on the way at local restaurant), Dinner

**Travel time** –Approximately 4.5 hrs /Safari time app 3.-3.5hrs

Early morning take an jeep safari (**around 6.30 we will start safari**) at Udawalawde National park ( **app 15 minutes by coach 10 km** The **Udawalawe National Park** is the only place where an elephant sighting is guaranteed on every single safari drive. There are around 600 to 700 Sri Lankan Elephants in this wildlife park and it is not unusual to see large herds gather to drink water and feed. In addition to the Elephants there are spotted deer, Monitor lizards, Sambar deer, Wild boar, Common Langurs, Jackals, Toddy cats and the endemic Toque Macaque. The Sri Lankan Leopard has also been sighted here, but unlike in the Yala National Park these sightings are very rare.

Later head for to **Bentota** ( **app 4hrs & 20minutes by coach 160 km** Known for one of the best beaches in the Southern Sri-Lanka. First stop over to see **Stilt fishing** upon arrival check in to your dream beach hotel & relax

**Note** –since we are just passing Galle, if students interest we may visit there (No Entrance Fess OR extra charge)

**Optional** - visit the exotic Galle **Dutch Fort in Galle**, (**UNESCO heritage site**) which among the best preserved fortresses in Sri Lanka.

Accommodation: Centara Cey sand, superior **River view** room

<http://www.centarahotelsresorts.com/centara/ccs/>

Aluthgama - Mathugama Rd, Bentota. Telp: 034 2275073

## Day 6

### Bentota /Colombo/Exit

**Transfer via:** Private vehicle,

**Accommodation:** xxx

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch (on the way at local restaurant), Dinner

You will be free at the hotel or Beach (you can organize some games) till Lunch time

**Optional** –Students can do water sport activities such as **Bana boat ride, snorkeling** (at your own cost)

Later check out from hotel visit to a **turtle hatchery on the beach** (Colse by); set up for conserving the endangered turtle population, the hatchery will introduce you more about this creature when letting you to stay close to with them.

Continance to Colombo

Upon arrival in Colombo, take a guided city tour to explore Colombo's colonial legacies (city tour take app1.-1.5hrs by coach) including The **Independence Square, Gangarama Temple** of Colombo, and mile-long promenade of **Galle Face Greenland** etc. Stop for taking pictures when drive by **the former British Administrative Center** etc.

Dinner –at a nice Chinese restaurant in Colombo

As all good things must come to an end, later your tour guide will comfortably take you back to the international airport for a safe return journey (app 1hrs by coach 40 km)

**-End of the sri lanka Tour-**

Note: Driving times mentioned in the program are an approximate measure of the time taken to travel between destinations. Please note that these times are subject to change depending on road traffic on the particular day, weather conditions as well as conditions of the particular road, all of which are beyond our control.



#### Notes

- \* Make sure you have a valid entry visa and passport (at least 6 months from date of exit before expired and passport must has two blank pages available to stamp the visa.)
- \* Visa : Visa requirements differ for specific countries, foreign tourists can apply for the visa on <http://www.eta.gov.lk/slvisa/>. or contact nearby consulate/Embassy for the latest information.