

EXOTIC EXPEDITIONS

Experiential journeys for the exploring traveller



SRI LANKA EXPLORER DEC 19 - 27

COLOMBO - KANDY - SIGIRIYA
NUWARA ELIYA - MIRISSA

OVERVIEW

Experience the **diverse landscapes and timeless charm of Sri Lanka on a journey that blends culture, nature, adventure, and coastal relaxation.** Discover the vibrant streets of Colombo, explore the sacred temples and cultural landmarks of Kandy, and climb the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress, surrounded by lush tropical landscapes and centuries of history.

Continue into the misty tea country of Nuwara Eliya before heading south to the laid-back coastal towns of Weligama and Mirissa. Enjoy golden beaches, turquoise waters, and the chance to experience whale watching in Mirissa. Explore the historic Galle Fort, a beautifully preserved colonial-era fortress overlooking the Indian Ocean. This journey showcases Sri Lanka's rich heritage, dramatic landscapes, and tropical coastal charm.



ESSENTIAL INFO

Cost: Rs 67500/- per person

Country: Sri Lanka

Start: Colombo

End: Colombo

Start Date: 19th Dec' 2026

End Date: 27th Dec 2026

Duration: 9 Days

Group Size : Min 5 / Max 15

Theme: Culture, Adventure



HIGHLIGHTS



Climb the Sigiriya Rock Fortress



Explore Kandy - The cultural capital of Sri Lanka



Scenic train journey through mountains and tea plantations



Visit tea gardens and waterfalls in Nuwara Eliya



Explore the South Coast which has some of the best beaches in the country



Visit Galle Fort and town



Day 1 : Dec 19

NEGOMBO

Arrive in Negombo (Colombo) and transfer to your hotel.

Check in time is 2 p.m.

Welcome to Negombo, Sri Lanka. Today is a relaxed arrival day with no planned activities, giving you the flexibility to arrive at your convenience. Located along Sri Lanka's beautiful western coastline, Negombo is known for its sandy beaches, lively atmosphere, and excellent selection of beachside restaurants and cafés.

Depending on your arrival time, we may visit the bustling Negombo Fish Market, Local market, Cathedral and Beach.

Overnight in Negombo.



Day 2 : Dec 20

DAMBULLA - SIGIRIYA

160 KMS / 5 HRS

After breakfast, we leave for **Dambulla** to explore the famous **Golden Rock Cave Temple**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** and sacred pilgrimage site for **over 22 centuries**. The five-cavern complex is renowned for its impressive Buddhist murals covering over 2,100 sq. metres, along with 157 statues, including a magnificent 47-foot reclining Buddha.

Later, continue to **Sigiriya** to climb the iconic 5th-century “**Fortress in the Sky**.” **Rising 200 metres above the surrounding jungle**, this **UNESCO World Heritage Site** features ancient gardens, the famous Lion’s Paw, beautiful frescoes of the “**Heavenly Maidens**,” and the historic Mirror Wall.

After the climb, head to our villa stay nearby located in beautiful village garden settings.

Overnight in Sigiriya.



Day 3 : Dec 21

SIGIRIYA - KANDY
(100 KMS / 3.5 HRS)

After Breakfast head to Kandy. En route you will visit a spice garden in Matale Kandy, the **beautiful hill country capital is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which is famous for the Temple of the Tooth** which houses the most sacred religious relic, the tooth of the Buddha.

The Kandy Lake built in 1807 and the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens, are some of the key jewels of the town that elevate its magnificence. Evening free to explore Kandy town, the markets and restaurants.

Overnight in Kandy



Day 4 : Dec 22

KANDY

After Breakfast visit the sacred **Temple of the Tooth Relic**. It is located in the **Royal Palace Complex of the former Kingdom of Kandy**, which houses the relic of the tooth of the Buddha. Since ancient times, the relic has played an important role in local politics because it is believed that whoever holds the relic holds the governance of the country. **The temple of the tooth is a World Heritage Site and the most important temple in Sri Lanka.**

After lunch explore the lake area and later enjoy the **Kandyan Cultural show** at the Kandyan Arts & Cultural Centre. The show features the graceful and rhythmic **dancers and drummers culminating in an impressive fire walking display.**

Overnight at Kandy.



Day 5 : Dec 23

**KANDY - NUWARA ELIYA
(90 KMS / 3 HRS)**

After breakfast we drive from Kandy to the **hill station of Nuwara Eliya**. This old British hill station in the heart of the tea growing industry and full of colonial charm.

Built entirely during the 19th century, its quirky architecture reflects what you'd normally expect to find in an English country village, which will make you feel like you've stepped back in time. **Once known as 'Little England' by British colonialists**, it's a fascinating mix of water buffalo and **brick Victorian buildings, golf courses, and tea plantations**.

Evening explore the lake and town.

Overnight at Nuwara Eliya.



Day 6 : Dec 24

**NUWARA ELIYA - MIRISSA
(230 KMS / 6 HRS)**

After breakfast drive to **Mirissa** through the beautiful hill town of **Bandarawale**. Those who are **feeling more adventurous** can take a very scenic local train journey through the hills and tea gardens for a short stretch.

On the way we stop at the quaint hill town of Ella and Ravana Falls.

Reach Mirissa by late afternoon/evening and enjoy an evening of beach splendor in Mirissa. The beach itself is a long curve of sand with lovely clear waters for swimming – a great spot to watch the sunset.

Overnight in Mirissa.



Day 7 : Dec 25

MIRISSA & WELIGAMA

Today is a free day to explore Mirissa & Weligama beaches. The beaches of Mirissa and Weligama are some the best stretches of beaches on the south coast.

They also have also many tours and activities like **whale and dolphin watching, snorkeling, surfing** etc. You could join one of the tours or you could hire a bicycle/scooter and explore around.

Overnight in Mirissa.



Day 8 : Dec 26

**MIRISSA TO COLOMBO VIA
GALLE (170 KMS / 4 HRS)**

After breakfast, we leave for Colombo.

On the way, we **visit Galle old town and Galle Fort**. Galle Fort, in the Bay of Galle on the southwest coast of Sri Lanka, was built first in 1588 by the Portuguese, then extensively fortified by the Dutch during the 17th century from 1649 onwards.

After lunch we head for Colombo and reach by evening.

Evening free to explore Colombo on your own.

Overnight in Colombo.



Day 9 : Dec 27

COLOMBO DEPARTURE

This day marks the end of our Sri Lanka adventure. Go back with beautiful memories, stories and new friendships that you have made on the journey.

You will be dropped to the airport as per your individual flight timings.



*** OR SIMILAR
HOTELS**

what people say about us

**shruthi venkatesh**
Local Guide · 18 reviews

★★★★★ a year ago

Arunachal Pradesh, November 2024. I travelled to Arunachal Pradesh with Santhosh aka Exotic Expedition. One of the best trips filled with exhilarating and fascinating experiences. I usually travel solo and this was my first organized tour experience. Now I would like to explore many such possibilities. EE not covers all the important and famous sites but ensures that you experience the local culture and cuisine. You get to stay in some amazing homes stays and heritage homes. Each day is exciting and the flexibility element makes it more special. The stay, food and the evenings spent with fellow travellers makes the tour memorable and incredible. Each day is well planned and

**XO**
2 reviews · 10 photos

★★★★★ 2 years ago

3 trips with them ... Meghalaya, Vietnam & recently Nagaland ! Each one simple , perfect & memorable. It's about an experience of the lifestyle and culture which is perfectly curated ... [More](#)



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100% recommend (82 reviews) 

**Divya Mehta Suri**  recommends **Exotic Expeditions.**
29 Jun 2024 · 

Two things aptly define Exotic Expedition - affordable and safe

I did four trips with Santosh so far-Nagaland, Leh Ladakh, Vietnam and Cambodia Nagaland was on my list for a long time but due to its remote location I was hesitant to attempt it. But he made it memorable for us by adding the interior, non touristy and unexplored locations along with the World famous Hornbill festival in the itinerary.... See more

**Devesh Arora**
Local Guide · 22 reviews

**Tarini Mukherji**  recommends **Exotic Expeditions.**
18 Dec 2023 · 

I recently embarked on a mesmerizing journey with exotic expeditions to Nagaland, and it was an adventure like no other. The tour seamlessly blended cultural immersion with breathtaking landscapes, offering an authentic glimpse into Nagaland's rich heritage. Santosh navigated us through vibrant local markets, where we indulged in delicious Naga cuisine and interacted with warm, welcoming locals. The highlight was the Hornbill Festival, a kaleidoscope of traditional dances, indigenous crafts, and the vibrant N... See more

**Sandhya Pulaskar**
Local Guide · 40 reviews · 63 photos

★★★★★ a year ago

We booked our Bali trip for 10 days with Exotic Expeditions. The service and itinerary was designed as per our needs. Hotels and cab was booked by Santosh. The hotels were good, close to the beautiful landscapes, in Ubud, he booked a stay in between rice fields, in Amed, we had a beach front place. Loved all the stays! The itinerary was off beat and covered some of the best locations. We could not have discovered these hidden gems had we not chosen Exotic Expeditions. Thanks for making our Bali trip and the overall experience memorable! Looking forward to visit Ladhak with you guys

★★★★★ 6 years ago

First things first, I love solo travelling! I never thought that group travelling can be as much fun as travelling by yourself, I was wrong. First time I traveled with Exotic Expeditions was in late 2016 (to Bhutan), since then I have done 6-7 trips (Bali, Andaman, Vietnam, Cambodia, North-East, Sri Lanka) with Santosh (Yes, he is the guy), and every trip has been an Experience! The places Santosh try to cover in his trips you will not find with any other tour company/guide. If I can try to sum-up travelling with E-E in one line, Exotic Expeditions is for real travelers, and may be for some tourists also, only if you know the difference ;) Cheers - Devesh

**Jaclyn Desouza**
Local Guide · 15 reviews · 10 photos

★★★★★ a day ago **New**

I had an absolutely fantastic experience travelling with Exotic Expeditions to Western Arunachal, Nagaland, Uzbekistan and Bali. If you're someone who prefers meaningful, offbeat journeys over crowded tourist checklists, Exotic Expeditions truly delivers.

What stood out for me the most was how thoughtfully the itinerary was designed – unique locations, authentic local experiences, and hidden gems I would never have discovered on my own. Every detail from Home-stays in the north east to scenic routes in Bali to interactions with local communities in Uzbekistan made the trips feel personal and

**Vijay Pravin Iyer**
Local Guide · 6 reviews · 26 photos

★★★★★ Edited 7 months ago

Santosh Nair's remarkable endeavor in orchestrating the exotic Nagaland expedition deserves the greatest encomium. Exploring the resplendent locales and immersing ourselves in the vibrant cultural milieu has been nothing short of ... [More](#)



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COST - Rs 67500/- per person

INCLUSIONS

1 night stay each in Colombo, Negombo, Habarana,
Nuwara Eliya, and 2 nights at Mirissa and Kandy
(Double / Twin Sharing)

Breakfast on all days (8 Breakfast)

All transportation and transfers during tour in Suv / Mini Van

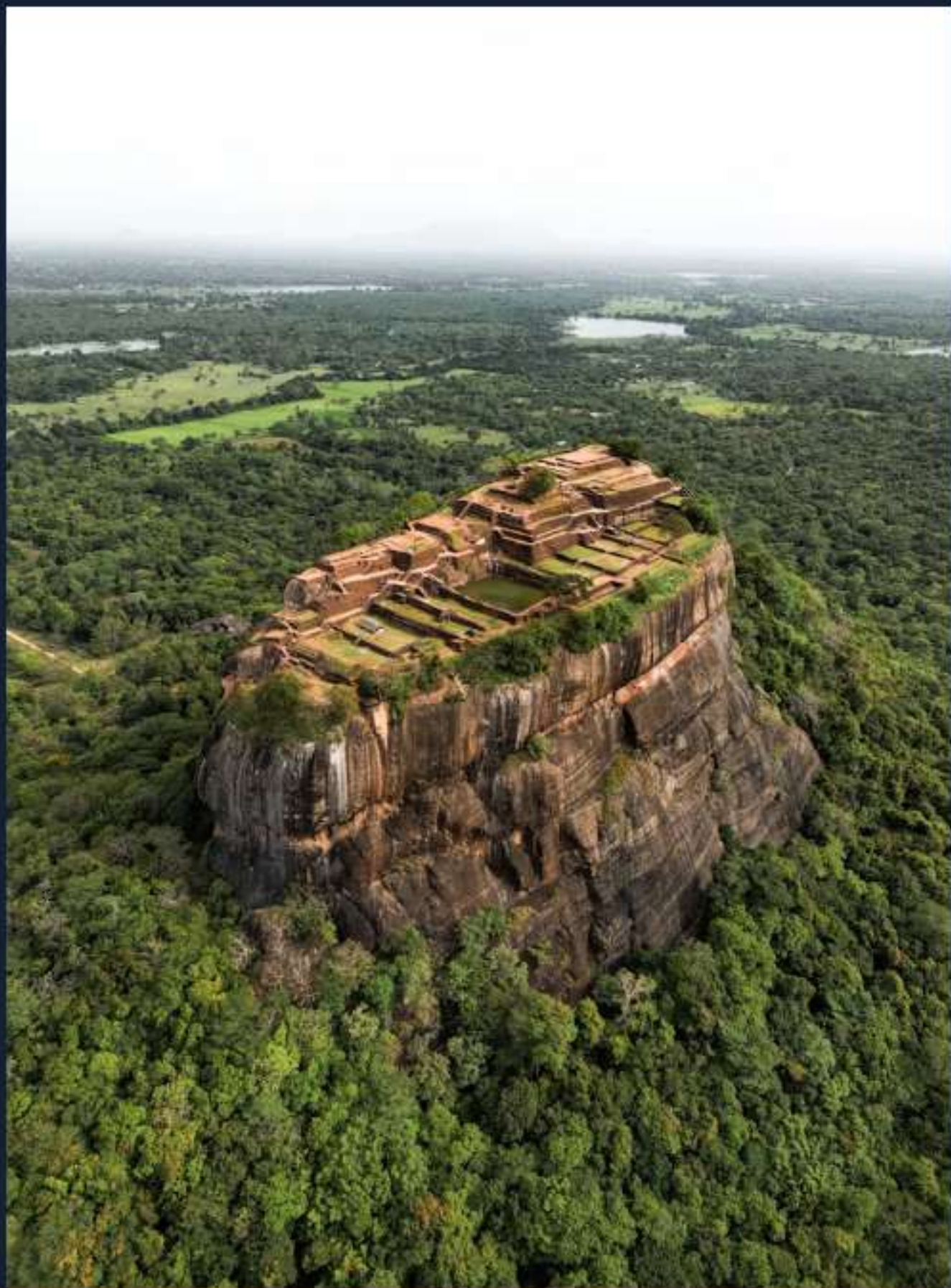
Airport transfers

Service charges

Taxes

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EXCLUSIONS

- Flight Charges
- Whale or Dolphin watching tour
- Snorkeling etc.
- Entry tickets
- Dinner & Lunch
- VISA (ETA to be filled)
- Other than mentioned

STAYS

NEGOMBO - Hive 68 Resort
SIGIRIYA - Sigiriya Nature Villa
KANDY - Kandy City Oasis
NUWARA ELIYA - Carnation Rest
MIRISSA - Lemazone Inn
COLOMBO - The Dec 23

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