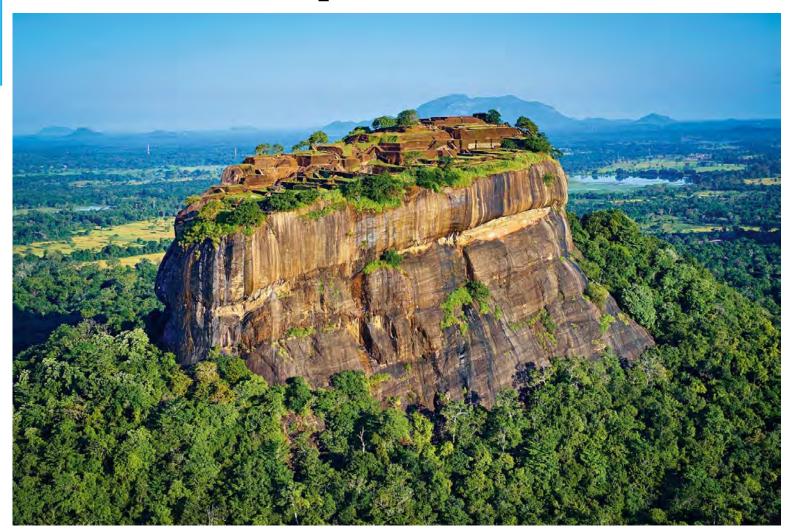
Your Trip to Sri Lanka



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About Sri Lanka



Official Name: Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Where is Sri Lanka?

Set in the Indian Ocean in South Asia, located in the Indian Ocean southwest of the Bay of Bengal and southeast of the Arabian Sea. It is geographically separated from the Indian subcontinent by the Gulf of Mannar and the Palk Strait.

Administrative Capital: Sri Jayewardenepura

Commercial Capital: Colombo

Religion: Buddhist 69.1%, Muslim 7.6%, Hindu 7.1%, Christian 6.2%, unspecified 10% (2001 census)

Time Zones

Sri Lanka Standard Time is five and a half hours ahead of GMT.(GMT +5 $\frac{1}{2}$) 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour behind Singapore

Sri Lanka Language

Sinhala (official and national language) 74%, Tamil (national language) 18%, other 8%

Note: English (a link language commonly) is used in government and spoken competently by about 10% of the population

Electricity Socket: 230 - 240 volts, 50 cycles AC.

There are two associated plug types, $types\ D$ and G. Plug $type\ D$ is the plug which has $three\ round\ pins\ in\ a\ triangular\ pattern$ and plug $type\ G$ is the plug which has $three\ rectangular\ pins\ in\ a\ triangular\ pattern$.

If you travel with a laptop computer, please bring Universal Travel Adaptor and a stabilizer.



International Dialing: +94

Currency (code): Sri Lankan Rupee (LKR)









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Useful Information

Sri Lanka Visa Policy



With effect from *1st January 2012*, all Holiday or Business travelers to Sri Lanka must have *Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA)* for entering in to Sri Lanka. The ETA allows tourist to apply for authorization online to travel and remain in Sri

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Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA)

Please visit http://www.eta.gov.lk to apply ETA .

When is the best time to visit Sri Lanka?

Sri Lanka is genuinely a year-round holiday destination, although the best time to go to Sri Lanka is between December and mid-April, which is considered to be the peak season. Temperatures are fairly constant year round, with coastal regions enjoying average temperatures of 25-30°C and the highlands 15-18°C on average.

If you're travelling during the summer months (May to September), head towards the east coast and northern regions for dry, sunny weather, as the west and south west coasts experience rain at this time. If you're travelling during the winter months (October to February) head towards west and south west coasts experience good weather, as the monsoon season hits the east and north.





Sri Lanka Weather by region

1.Colombo & West Coast Region

City: Bentota, Colombo, Negombo, Kalpitiya)
Weather governed by the south-western monsoon, the best weather is expected *between late November and April*. Average temperatures throughout rarely drop much below 30 °C, Rainfall is at its highest between June and September.

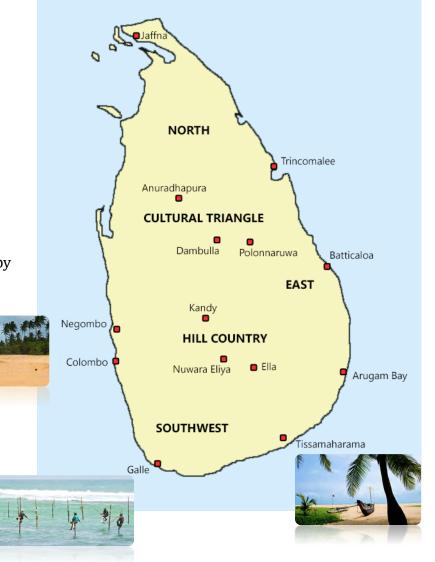
2.The South Region

City: Galle, Weligama, Mirissa, Tangalle, Yala National Park Galle, experience similar weather patterns to the west coast, Further east, beyond Yala NP, the weather can also be influenced by the *north-eastern monsoon*, with its higher rainfall from October to January, and dryer weather from May to September.

3.East Coast Region

City : Passekudah, Trincomalee, Arugam Bay, Batticaloa, Nilaveli, Kuchchaveli

Influenced by the *north-eastern monsoon*, **the best weather is from April to September**, with the monsoon running from October until January.



4. The Cultural Triangle (Northern Region)

City: Dambulla, Anuradhapura, Sigiriya, Minneriya National Park Many of Sri Lanka's cultural highlights, including no less than five UNESCO sites, including Dambulla, Anuradhapura and Sigiriya, are located within this 'dry zone'.

Aside from a *high rainfall in November and December*, conditions remain fairly arid throughout the year, *during June and July* may experience the hot, strong winds that help keep the south-western monsoon at bay.

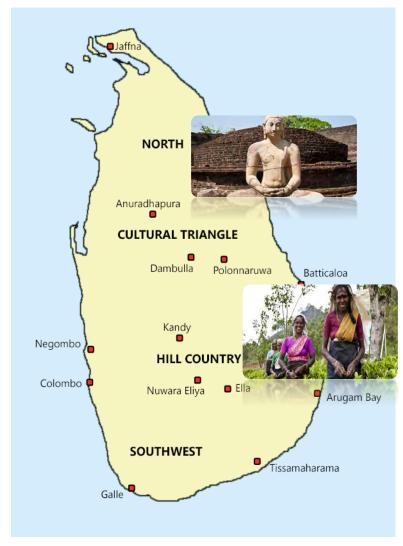
5.Kandy & Tea Country (Central Region)

City: Kandy, Ella, Nuwara Eliya, Haputale, Hatton, Adam's Peak **Kandy** sits at a far lower altitude than the 'Tea Country' and you expect to enjoy higher temperatures and lower rainfall than in the hills to the south.

The weather in the *Tea Country is influenced by both monsoons,* the result of which is a climate somewhat reminiscent of a Scottish autumn for much of the year.

Sitting at nearly 2,000 metres above sea level, the region is much cooler than elsewhere in Sri Lanka.

December marks the beginning of the Adam's Peak pilgrimage season, which runs throughout the dry season until May.



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Why you should visit Sri Lanka?



The tropical island nation of Sri Lanka has a history dating back to the birth of time. It is a place where the original soul of Buddhism still flourishes and where nature's beauty remains abundant and unspoilt.

a remarkable combination of stunning landscapes, pristine beaches, captivating cultural heritage and unique experiences within such a compact location.

Within a mere area of 65,610 kilometres lie 8 UNESCO World Heritage Sites,

1,330 kilometres of coastline - much of it pristine beach

15 national parks showcasing an abundance of wildlife,

Nearly 500,000 acres of *lush tea estates*, 250 acres of botanical gardens, 350 waterfalls, 25,000 water bodies, to a culture that extends back to over 2,500 years.

This is an island of magical proportions, once known as Serendib, Taprobane, the Pearl of the Indian Ocean, and Ceylon.





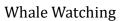




Top Attractions

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Hambantota | Yala National Park



Sigiriya Fortress –UNESCO



The Hill Country Train









Dambulla CaveTemple



Kandy Tea Plantation



Ceylon Tea



Kandy Lake

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How to Get to Sri Lanka?

The main airport of Sri Lanka is called Bandaranaike International Airport or *Colombo International Airport (CMB)*. It is located 32,5 km (20 miles) north of the capital Colombo, in the Negombo suburb. All international flights arrive at this airport.



Singapore



Colombo (CMB)



Flight No.	Departure /Arrival City	Departure /Arrival Time	Flight Schedule
UL 307	Singapore (SIN)	09:45 11:05	Daily flight
UL 303	Colombo (CMB)	15:50 17:10	Wednesday only
UL 309		19:50 21:10	Daily flight

Flight duration :about 4 hrs.

Colombo (CMB)



Singapore

Flight No.	Departure /Arrival City	Departure /Arrival Time	Flight Schedule
UL 306	Colombo (CMB)	01:10 07:40	Daily flight
UL 302	Singapore (SIN)	07:25 13:55	Daily flight
UL 308		12:10 18:40	Daily flight

Flight duration :about 4 hrs.











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Colombo (CMB)

Flight No. Departure /Arrival City
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SQ 468 Colombo (CMB)

08:30 09:50 22:10 23:30

Departure / Arrival Time

Flight Schedule

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Flight duration :about 4 hrs.

Colombo (CMB)

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Singapore

Flight No.

Departure /Arrival City
SQ 469

Colombo (CMB)

Singapore (SIN)

Departure /Arrival Time 00:45 07:30

10:50 17:25

Flight Schedule

Daily flight 2,3,4,6

Flight duration :about 4 hrs.

	J	letstar Budget Flight
3K 333	Singapore (SIN)	10:00 11:30 Every 1,6
3K 331	Colombo (CMB)	21:00 22:40 Every 3,5
3K 334	Colombo (CMB)	12:10 18:40 Every 1,6
3K 332	Singapore (SIN)	22:40 05:20+1 Every 3,5



Sri Lanka Colombo & West Coast Region



Galle 119km from Colombo, is a major city situated at the tip of the South Western coast of Sri Lanka.

The Galle Fort was built by the Portuguese, fortified later by the Dutch and is well preserved till today. one of the best preserved sea forts in all of South Asia. **UNESCO World Heritage**.

As for beaches, the *Unawatuna Bay* probably tops it all and is safe for snorkelling and swimming because a reef protects it.

Negombo Beach is known for its golden sands lined up with long stretches of coconut trees and swim safe waters to relax and take a dip all day long. Fishing, jet skiing, and other water sports are also possible along the coast.

Negombo is very close to the airport



BMICH is an exclusive convention centre reputed for its luxurious conference facilities and is an ideal location for a complete event. This multi-functional complex consists of 9 buildings and covers 37 acres of land. Beauty pageants, musical dramas, exhibitions, conferences, trade events, and much more are hosted here.





7 Days in west coast



Day 01 | Singapore



Colombo

Arrive Colombo - Visa processing - meet with guide for transfer to hotel in Colombo . Overnight Colombo

Day 02 | Colombo city tours

Visit Gangarama (a popular landmark of the Colombo city), Manning market, Pettah fort, Galle Face Green, Old parliament building, BMICH

Day 03 | Colombo





Visit Galle popular attractions such as the Galle Dutch Fort, Madu River Boat Ride, Visit Weligama stilt Fisherman and beautiful beach, Turtle Hatchery and Farm,

Day 04 | Colombo



Negombo.

Negombo city tour, visit the remains of the Dutch Fort, the popular fish market in Negombo and the neoclassical St. Mary's Church from the early 1900s.

An afternoon jeep safari at the Wilpattu National Park for an encounter with the wildlife in Sri Lanka.

Day 05 | Negombo.

Today you can enjoy Fishing, jet skiing, and other water sports along the coast.

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Day 07 | Negombo.



Transfer the airport for your departure flight.

HOTEL IN COLOMBO 5****

Anantara Kalutara 5**** Best Luxury Hotels with Private Plunge Pools /Opened in 2016



Hotel Grand banquet hall and function space capable of hosting events with up to 300 guests, plus two meeting rooms.

Location: Situated on the beach along Sri Lanka's southwest coast, the secluded resort is about one hour from the capital. Close to the historic town of Kalutara with the 12th century Richmond Castle, Buddhist shrine, and Kalutara Vihara.

From Bandaranaike International Airport to hotel is a 2-hour drive.

Shangri-La Hotel Colombo 5*****





Hotel Offering the most extensive and versatile event space in Sri Lanka, the Shangri-La Hotel Colombo has the country's largest pillar-less ballroom, a Horizon Club, meeting rooms, and executive boardrooms with event space for seated banquets of 1,400 and receptions for more than 3,000.

Location: Providing a waterside location with views of the Indian Ocean, Shangri-La Hotel Colombo is located in the heart of the city's business and financial district. Situated between Beira Lake and the Galle Face Green Promenade, the property is part of a new lifestyle development with an office tower, two residential towers, and a high-end shopping. The hotel is a short drive from the country's largest exhibition center, local shops, restaurants, and casinos. Horizon Club with an exclusive lounge on the 32nd floor, and the country's most extensive event space.

HOTEL IN COLOMBO 5****

Cinnamon Grand Colombo 5***** Opened in 2011.



Hotel Two multi-function ballrooms and eight other meeting rooms which can accommodate up to 1500 people.

A disability-friendly hotel with all public spaces accessible for wheelchair

Location : Cinnamon Grand Hotel is located in the heart of Colombo's business, shopping, and entertainment center.

The Kingsbury Colombo 5*****

Opened in 2011.



The Kingsbury offers a wide range of services and facilities to cater to the business needs of every guest. In addition to extensive meeting facilities, the hotel offers state-of-the-art equipment and the service of a highly professional staff to ensure success in every event.

Location: located in the heart of Colombo and offers quick access to the city's business centers, shopping complexes, restaurants, pubs, as well as boutique outlets, making it the ideal base for both business and leisure travelers. The hotel is situated at the far end of the famous Galle Face Marine drive and with the newly developing Colombo Port nearby.

HOTEL IN COLOMBO 5****

Saman Villas 5**** Small & luxury hotel



Saman Villas offers 27 luxury suites set within two-story beach view villas. Board Room with space for 12 people.

Location:

the Saman Villas are located in the fishing village of Aturuwella in Bentota which features picturesque paddy fields and streams. Saman Villas is set on the southwest coast of the island, the hotel is 92 km (57 miles) from the International Airport, and 65 km (40 miles) from Colombo.

Residence by Uga Escapes 5***** Small & luxury hotel /Opened in 2015.



Eleven-suite Room owned and managed by Uga Escapes.

Location: The hotel is located just 1.2 km from American Embassy and 2.4 km from the popular Khan Clock Tower. The Bandaranaike International Airport is 29 km away.

HOTEL IN COLOMBO 5*****

Hilton Colombo Hotel 5*****



Hilton Colombo Hotel offers direct access to Colombo's World Trade Centre. Total 26 meeting rooms .3,638 sq,m event space .

Attractions nearby

Hilton Colombo Hotel is a 45-minute drive from the Bandaranaike International Airport. It is within walking distance of the shopping and dining options at Fort District and Pettah Bazaar.

Taj Samudra, Colombo5***** Opened in 2014.



8 x meeting room

Location:

Taj Samudra is a 45-minute drive from the Bandaranaike Airport Slave Island Railway Station 0.3 km One Galle Face 0.6 km Crescat Boulevard 0.6 km

HOTEL IN COLOMBO 4****

Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo 4.5**** Small & luxury Hotel



 $10 \ Suite \ rooms$

Attractions nearby

Paradise Road Tintagel Colombo is in the business district. Shoppers can check out Pettah Market, while everyone can enjoy the natural beauty of Galle Face Green and Galle Face Beach. Dehiwala Zoological Garden and Water World Lanka are also worth visiting.

Cinnamon Red Colombo 4**** Opened in 2014.



Location:

The hotel is just a 10-minute walk from Liberty Cinema Hall and 900 m from Sri Lanka National Museum. Colombo Town Hall is about 1.2 km away, while Bandaranaike International Airport is accessible within a 1-hour drive.

HOTEL IN COLOMBO 4****

Wonder Hotel Colombo4 ****



NO Meeting facility Attractions nearby

Wonder Hotel Colombo is near the beach. Gangaramaya Temple and Independence Memorial Hall are notable landmarks, and travellers looking to shop may want to visit Liberty Plaza and Dutch Hospital Shopping Precinct.

Colombo Court Hotel & Spa 4**** Opened in 2014.



1 x meeting room

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HOTEL IN NEGOMBO

Heritance Negombo 5***** Luxury Beachfront Hotel



Upscale beachfront hotel with outdoor pool, near Negombo Beach Hotel can host two wide range of events – from large conferences to intimate meetings, gala dinners to cocktail evenings, breakfast meetings to power luncheons. 4 x meeting room

Attractions nearby:

Negombo Beach - 1 min walk Negombo Beach Park - 5 min walk

Jetwing Beach Hotel - Negombo5*****



1 x meeting room

Attractions nearby

Jetwing Beach Hotel is located along Ethukala Beach, about 3 km from Negombo City.

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Top 5 national parks in Sri Lanka



1. Yala National Park

Yala National Park is Sri Lanka's most visited wildlife reserve. Guests travel through the park accompanied by a park tracker. The park's wildlife has its own distinctive charm, with huddles of colorful painted storks, crocodiles, fan-tailed peacocks, and chattering monkeys in the treetop. *The park's most famous residents, however, are its elusive leopards*.

2. Bird watching in Bundala National Park

Bundala National Park. Comprising a system of coastal lagoons and wetlands, Bundala is a watery wonderland of aquatic birdlife, including great flocks of migratory flamingoes, as well as crocodiles and herds of elephants.

3. Udawalawe National Park

One of the country's *best places to spot elephants*. The park is also home to monkeys, deer, crocodiles, leopards, sloth bears and giant flying squirrels, as well as a rich array of birdlife, including many magnificent birds of prey.

4. Horton Plains National Park

Up in the hills, the park is one of the top spots on the island for spotting montane bird species. The main draw here is the *incredible scenery.*

5 Kaudulla & Minneriya National Parks

August and September in Minneriya, as hundreds of elephants congregate around Minneriya Tank, you can see the largest meeting of Asian elephants in the world.



Kalametiya and *Hakgala* are two of the island's top birding destinations.



Sri Lanka South Coast Tour



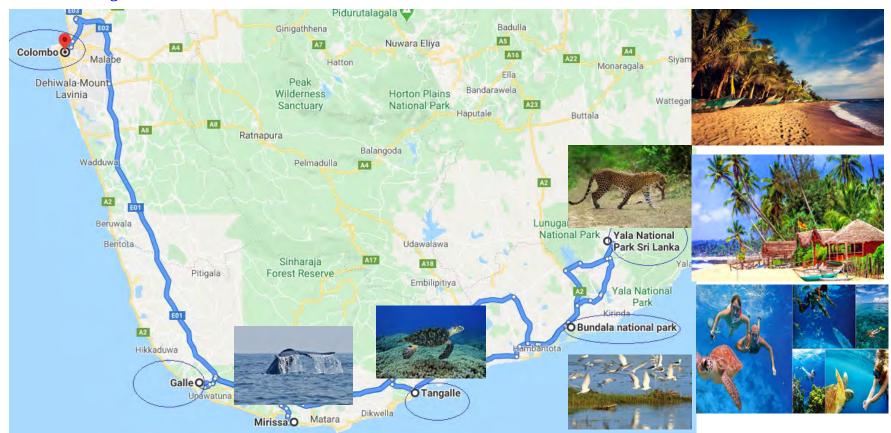
Mirissa is one of the main beach destinations in southern Sri Lanka.

The area has it all, beautiful beaches, surf waves, whale watching, and great bars and restaurants.

Tangalle, a large town in Hambantota District, Southern Province Sri Lanka. a regionally important fishing port, with one long unspoiled beach that is popular as a breeding ground for giant sea turtles. *Rekawa Turtle Conservation* project is located 10 kilometers east of Tangalle and is home to one of the most important sea turtle nesting sites in Sri Lanka.

Yala National park, Located two hours north-east of Tangalle.

Bird watching in Bundala National Park





7 Days in South Coast





Colombo



Galle (Distance: 146km)

Arrive Colombo – Visa processing – meet with guide for transfer to Galle. Along the way passing the coastal city of Mount Lavinia and the resort towns of Wadduwa, Kalutara, Beruwela, Bentota, Kosgoda, Ambalangoda, Hikkadduwa and finally Galle. Overnight at Galle.

Day 02 | Galle Mirissa



Morning:go for Dolphin & Whale Watching (Best time to see the blue whale: from the end of November until March.) Afternoon: Visit Galle Fort & Galle city tour.

Day 03 | Galle



Tangalle

Transfer to Tangalle located between the towns of Matara and Hambantota, a fishing town with one long unspoiled beach that is popular as a breeding ground for giant sea turtles.

Day 04 | Tangalle

You can go Snorkelling Or Scuba Diving .or

Visit *the Rekawa Turtle Conservation project*. (Recommends visiting the project on the night of a full moon.)

Day 05 | Tangalle



Late afternoon, transfer to Tangalle and reach the entrance of the Yala National park.

Yala National Park is Sri Lanka's most visited wildlife reserve.

Day 06 | Bundala Colombo



After breakfast go around and see the Hambantota town or head towards nearby **Bundala game sanctuary** for a photo safari, drive back to Colombo.

Day 07 | Negombo



Transfer the airport for your departure flight.

Le Grand Galle by Asia Leisure - Galle 5**** Luxury hotel Opened in 2018.



Hotel offers breathtaking views of the oceans and grand event spaces.

Attractions nearby:

In the Heart of Galle Galle Fort - 24 min walk St. Aloysius College - 7 min walk

The Heritage Hotel Galle Fort 5*****



Small luxury hotel / Opened in 2018.

Located in Galle, 2.1 km from Rumassala South Beach Only 15 rooms .

Attractions nearby

Popular points of interest near The Heritage Hotel Galle Fort include Galle Light house, Dutch Church Galle and Galle International Cricket Stadium.

Amari Galle 5***** Opened in 2016.



Hotel offers breathtaking views of the oceans and grand event spaces. 6 meeting rooms cater for different group.

Attractions nearby:

Dutch Church Galle is 5 km from Amari Galle, while Galle Fort is 3 km away.

Jetwing Lighthouse 5***** *Small luxury hotel* / Opened in 2018.



Located in Galle, 2.1 km from Rumassala South Beach 85 rooms.

The hotel arranges whale watching trips and city tours

Attractions nearby

2 km from Galle's center

PJetwing Lighthouse is 146 km from Colombo's Bandaranaike International Airport. It is easily accessible from attractions like Galle Fort, Galle Markets and the shopping street.

Fort Bazaar 5**** Small Boutique hotel



Once a Merchant home from the 16th century, Fort Bazaar is a boutique hotel located in the heart of the Galle Fort.

18 rooms only

Attractions nearby:

Galle Fort is 200 metres from Fort Bazaar, while Dutch Church Galle is 200 metres

Yara Galle Fort 5***** *Small hotel* / Opened in 2018.



Set in Galle and with Rumassala South Beach reachable within $2.5\ km$ $13\ rooms$.

Attractions nearby

Popular points of interest near the accommodation include Galle Light house, Galle Fort National Museum and Galle Fort Clock Tower.

Fairway Sunset Galle 4 **** Opened in 2018.



Hotel offers breathtaking views of the oceans and grand event spaces.

Attractions nearby:

1.3 km from Jungle Beach

The Lady Hill Hotel 4**** Small hotel



Located in Galle, 2.1 km from Rumassala South Beach. Only 15 rooms .

Attractions nearby

Galle Fort is $1.1\ \text{km}$ from Lady Hill, while Dutch Church Galle is $1.2\ \text{km}$ from the property.

Anantara Peace Haven Tangalle Resort 5***** Luxury hotel Opened in 2015.



Hotel offers breathtaking views of the oceans 1 x The Boardroom

Attractions nearby:

Anantara Peace Haven is reachable by a 45-minute air transfer from Colombo.

Amanwella, Tangalle 5***** Top end Luxury Resort



Aman resort overlooks a stunning beach through leaning palm trees, under which fishing boats nestle. *There are thirty suites*, each with its own plunge pool; the architecture is elegant and spare, yet not unwelcoming, claiming homage to renowned Sri Lanka architect Geoffrey Bawa. Sip excellent and imaginative cocktails on the terrace at sundown, or in the large, lowlit but friendly bar. There is a well- stocked library for bookworms. Professional, understated staff.

Nirvana Beach Boutique Hotel 5*****



Opened in 2017.

Hotel is 36 km away from Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport, while Udawalawe is 41 km away. Yala National Park is a 1.5-hour drive away.

Buckingham Place 4****



Located on the Rekawa Beach, Buckingham Place overlooks Indian Ocean and Rekawa lagoon.

Ananya Beach Resort 4**** *Opened in 2017.*



Situated in Tangalle, 26 km from Hummanaya Blow Hole Tangalle Lagoon is 13 km from Ananya Beach Resort, while Mulkirigala Rock Monastery is 14 km from the property.

Turtle Bay 4**** A small boutique hotel



Situated in Tangalle, overlooking the Indian Ocean Turtle Bay is a 5-minute walk from Kalamatiya Bird Sanctuary and 30 minutes' drive from Rekawa Turtle Camp. Colombo International Airport is 241 km away.

HOTEL IN YALA

Wild Coast Tented Lodge - Relais & Chateaux 5**** Luxury hotel Opened in 2017.



Experience world-class service at Wild Coast *Tented Lodge* - All Inclusive Wild Coast Tented Lodge is adjacent to the famous Yala National Park, renowned for its dense leopard population. This luxury tented camp is situated where the jungle meets a pristine beach, overlooking the blue waters of the Indian Ocean.

Chena Huts by Uga Escapes - All Inclusive 5***** Luxury hotel



Chena Huts is just 5-minute away from Yala National Park
Chena Huts offers fine views of the wilderness and seascape. It is designed to
echo the local architecture harmonizing with the jungle environment.
Kataragama is 19 km from Chena Huts, while Tissamaharama is 14 km away.
Colombo International Airport is 6-hour drive away.

Jetwing Yala 5*****

Luxury hotel



Located on the borders of Yala National Park.

Jetwing Yala is within 35 km from the new Mattala International Airport.

Colombo City is approximately a 4-hour drive away.

HOTEL IN YALA

Yoho Kodigahawewa Forest Resort 4**** Opened in 2016.



Located in Tissamaharama, Yala national Park is just 15 minutes from the hotel and other main parks Lunugamwehera, Bundala are accessible with 45 minutes. The main religious attraction Kataragama is just 10 minutes away.

Laya Safari Resorts & Spa 4****



Laya Safari is tucked away amidst beautiful sea views. *Only 2 km from the popular Yala National Park,* located just 200 m from the beach and 25 km from the holy Kataragama Temple. Colombo City and Bandaranaike International Airport are approximately 4.5 hours away by car.