

## 10-12 Day Sri Lankan Cultural Immersion Itinerary by Sri Lanka Wonder Travels (SWT)

### Day 1: Arrival in Colombo

- **Welcome and Transfer:** Arrive at Bandaranaike International Airport. Meet your SWT guide and transfer to your hotel in Colombo.
- **City Tour:** Explore Colombo's key cultural attractions, including the National Museum, Gangaramaya Temple, and Old Dutch Hospital.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a centrally located hotel in Colombo.

### Day 2: Colombo to Anuradhapura

- **Transfer to Anuradhapura:** Travel to Anuradhapura, the ancient capital of Sri Lanka.
- **Anuradhapura Ancient City:** Explore the UNESCO World Heritage Site, including the Sacred Bo Tree, Ruwanwelisaya Stupa, and Abhayagiri Monastery.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a hotel in Anuradhapura.

### Day 3: Anuradhapura to Sigiriya

- **Mihintale:** Visit the sacred mountain of Mihintale, where Buddhism was first introduced to Sri Lanka.
- **Transfer to Sigiriya:** Journey to Sigiriya, home to the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a hotel near Sigiriya.

### Day 4: Sigiriya Cultural Exploration

- **Sigiriya Rock Fortress:** Climb the ancient rock fortress of Sigiriya and explore its magnificent frescoes and gardens.
- **Dambulla Cave Temple:** Visit the Dambulla Cave Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage Site adorned with intricate Buddhist murals and statues.
- **Accommodation:** Stay another night in Sigiriya.

### Day 5: Sigiriya to Polonnaruwa

- **Transfer to Polonnaruwa:** Travel to Polonnaruwa, another ancient capital of Sri Lanka.

- **Polonnaruwa Ancient City:** Explore the well-preserved ruins of the ancient city, including the Royal Palace, Gal Vihara, and Shiva Devale.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a hotel in Polonnaruwa.

#### Day 6: Polonnaruwa to Kandy

- **Transfer to Kandy:** Journey to Kandy, the cultural heart of Sri Lanka.
- **Cultural Show:** Enjoy a traditional cultural dance performance in the evening.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a hotel in Kandy.

#### Day 7: Kandy Cultural Experience

- **Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic:** Visit the revered Temple of the Tooth Relic, home to Sri Lanka's most sacred Buddhist relic.
- **Peradeniya Botanical Gardens:** Explore the beautiful Peradeniya Botanical Gardens.
- **Kandyan Arts Association:** Witness traditional Kandyan dance and music performances.
- **Accommodation:** Stay another night in Kandy.

#### Day 8: Kandy to Galle

- **Transfer to Galle:** Travel to the historic city of Galle, known for its Dutch colonial architecture.
- **Galle Fort:** Explore the UNESCO-listed Galle Fort, including its ramparts, lighthouse, and charming streets.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a boutique hotel in Galle Fort.

#### Day 9: Galle Exploration

- **Galle Dutch Museum:** Visit the Galle Dutch Museum to learn about the city's colonial history.
- **Martin Wickramasinghe Folk Museum Complex:** Explore the museum complex dedicated to Sri Lankan folk culture and literature.
- **Accommodation:** Stay another night in Galle.

#### Day 10: Galle to Colombo

- **Transfer to Colombo:** Return to Colombo for your final day.

- **Colombo Museum:** Visit the Colombo National Museum to delve deeper into Sri Lanka's cultural heritage.
- **Shopping:** Explore local markets and shops for souvenirs and traditional crafts.
- **Farewell Dinner:** Enjoy a farewell dinner with traditional Sri Lankan cuisine.
- **Accommodation:** Stay overnight at a hotel in Colombo.

### Day 11: Departure

- **Leisure Time:** Free time for last-minute shopping or relaxation.
- **Transfer to Airport:** Transfer to Bandaranaike International Airport for departure.

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This itinerary offers a comprehensive cultural immersion experience, allowing you to explore Sri Lanka's rich heritage and historical sites with knowledgeable guides from SWT.