

Ramayana Trails of Sri Lanka

Itinerary – 7 nights / 8 days

On arrival at the Bandaranayke International Airport, you will be blessed to get your first taste of warm Sri Lankan hospitality; A Travel Passion Inc Representative will welcome you at the Airport & proceed to Anuradhapura via Chilaw..

**Day
01**

Airport – Chillaw – Anuradhapura

**Arrival and transfer to Anuradhapura
via Chilaw**

En route visit Manavari Temple

There is a direct link between this Manavari Temple and the Ramayana Yatra Sri Lanka. According to the Ramayana story Sri Lanka proves, Manavari is the first place where the lord Rama installed and prayed the Shiva lingam after the end of the war with king Ravana to liberate Sita



Thereafter visit Munneswaram Temple

Munneswaram temple is an important regional Hindu temple complex in Sri Lanka. It has been in existence at least since 1000 CE. The temple is one of five ancient temples dedicated to Shiva in the region.

Proceed to Anuradhapura





Anuradhapura (Optional) entrance fees direct by guest

From stunning rock carvings and temples to giant stone pillars, history lovers are in for a rare treat at Anuradhapura, the first capital of ancient Sri Lanka.

Dinner & overnight stay at Anuradhapura

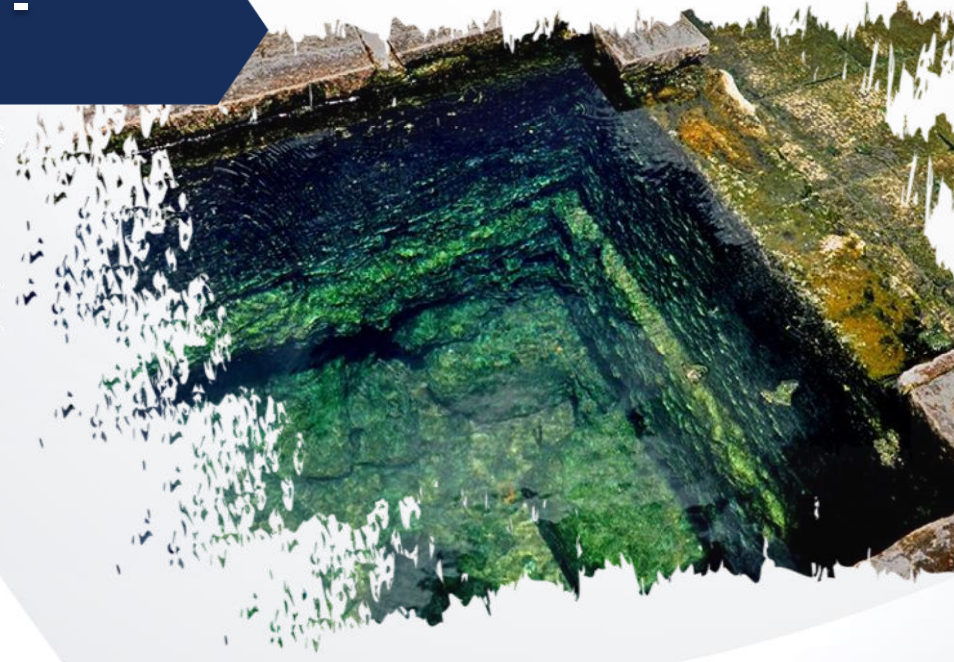
**Day
02**

Anuradhapura - Trincomalee

Breakfast at the hotel & proceed to Trincomalee

Visit Kanniya Hot Water Springs

a collection of 7 wells which is believed to possess natural healing powers and the place where king Ravana is believed to have carried out the last rites for his mother.



Trincomalee

One of the finest natural deep-water harbors in the world is located 257 km north-east of Colombo. Trincomalee is home to the fine beaches of Nilaveli, Uppuveli and the off-shore Pigeon Island.





**Day
03**

Trincomalee – Kandy

Breakfast at the Hotel

Check-out from the hotel & proceed to Kandy

En route visit Sigiriya Rock Fortress
(Optional) entrance fees direct by guest

Sigiriya is a magnificent rock fortress built in the 5th century A.D. Sigiriya is, in fact, the best-preserved city center in Asia from the first millennium and has been named as a world heritage site.



Visit Koneswaram Temple

Thirukoneswaram, or the Holy Koneswaram Temple, is a Hindu temple in Trincomalee on the east coast of Sri Lanka. The temple lies on a high rocky promontory surrounded on three sides by the sea. It bears a history of over three millennia.

Dinner & overnight stay at Trincomalee



En route visit Spice Garden in Mawanella

Proceed to Kandy

The hill capital of Kandy, the last stronghold of Sinhala kings against the British Empire, lies picturesquely surrounded by mountains and rivers just 115 km away from Colombo.

Enjoy the Kandy City Tour & shopping





Day

04

Kandy – Nuwara Eliya

Breakfast at the Hotel

Check-out from the hotel & proceed to Nuwara Eliya

Enjoy the Kandy City & Shopping tour in the morning

Kandy not only is Sri Lanka's second-largest city, but also a great place for shopping for local spices and souvenirs.

Enjoy the cultural show in the evening
(Optional) entrance fees direct by guest

Experiencing new cultures and traditions is one of the reasons why people travel and this show featuring dancing, drums, fluting, and songs, Sri Lankan traditional dancing is often a raucous performance.

Dinner & overnight stay at Kandy



Visit Kandy Temple of Sacred Tooth Relic
(Optional) entrance fees direct by guest

Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic is a Buddhist temple in the city of Kandy, Sri Lanka. It is located in the royal palace complex of the former Kingdom of Kandy, which houses the relic of the tooth of the Buddha





Proceed to Nuwara Eliya

En route visit Shri Bhakta Hanuman Temple

It is a popular Hindu temple in the Nuwara Eliya district where many devotees from Nuwara Eliya and across Sri Lanka come to worship and pay homage to God Hanuman, the deity of the temple. The temple consists of a 5 m tall statue of Hanuman which is known to be the tallest statue of Hanuman in the country.

Visit Gayathri Peedam

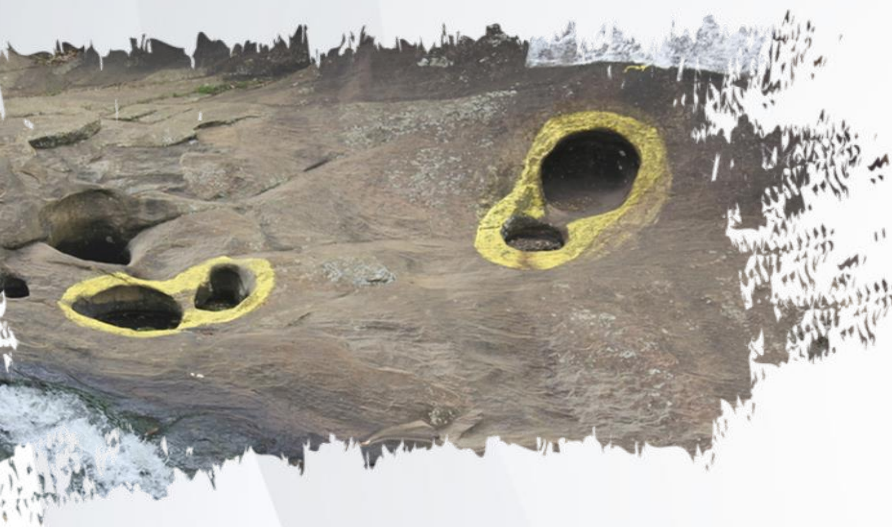
The Gayathri Cathedral also known as Sri-Lankatheeswarar Temple is the very first temple dedicated for Goddess Gayathri. Gayathri Siddhar chose this place because it was a spiritual revelation.



Visit Seetha Amman Temple

The temple of Sita Amman is the only Hindu Temple in Sri Lanka dedicated to Sita. It is one of the major sites in Sri Lanka related with Ramayana epic





Visit Ashok Vatika

The Ashok Vatika is the place where Ravana kept the Sita captive. Ashok Vatika is a garden that is present in the Sita Eliya in Sri Lanka. According to Ramanayana Ravana kidnapped Sita, wife of Rama and brought her to Sri Lanka. It is mentioned that Ravana took Sita around his beautiful country to show the beauty of his Kingdom.

Nuwara Eliya

Also known as "Little England", the scenic town of Nuwara Eliya lies nestled in a valley more than 2500m above sea level and is surrounded by misty mountain ranges covered in pine forests and tea cultivations

If the time permits enjoy the city tour in the evening

Dinner & overnight stay at Nuwara Eliya



Day
05

Nuwara Eliya – Kataragama

Breakfast at the hotel

Check-out from the hotel and proceed to Kataragama

Visit Hakgala Botanical Gardens
(Optional) entrance fees direct by guest

Hakgala is the second largest botanical garden in Sri Lanka, and is adjoined by the Hakgala Strict nature reserve, home to a wide range of life, including bears, monkeys, and birds





Then visit Divurumpola Temple

Divurumpola means a 'place of oath'. This is the place where Sita underwent the "Agni" test. She came unscathed and proved her innocence and purity.

Visit Dhowa Rock Temple

Dowa Rajamaha Viharaya has been built in the 1st century BC by King Walagamba. It is one of the mysterious and legendary temples in the hill country. It also consists of a very unique sculpture named Mahayana which tells an interesting story of the previous lives lived by Lord Buddha.

En route visit Rawana Ella



Kataragama

Kataragama in Sri Lanka is a well-known pilgrimage town in Sri Lanka, where many people from different religions from both Sri Lanka and South India visit.

Dinner & overnight stay at Kataragama





Breakfast at the hotel

Check-out from the hotel and proceed to Colombo

Visit Kataragama Hindu Temple in the morning **(Optional)** entrance fees direct by guest

Kataragamam temple in Kataragama, Sri Lanka, is a temple complex dedicated to Buddhist guardian deity Kataragama deviyo and Hindu War God Murugan.

Visit Ussangoda National Park

Ancient Hindu mythology believes Ussangoda National Park is where King Ravana landed his peacock chariot. The park is an important breeding site for sea turtles and is one of the four serpentine sites in Sri Lanka.



Visit Galle Dutch fort

Galle Dutch Fort was built on the southwestern coast of Sri Lanka in 1588 at the Bay of Galle. In 1988, under the name of the Old City of Galle and its Fort, the Galle Dutch Fort was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO





Colombo

Colombo is the commercial capital of Sri Lanka and is by far the most happening city in the country!

Overnight stay at Colombo

**Day
07**

Colombo Leisure

Breakfast at the Hotel

Visit the Anjaneyar Temple

Panchamuga Anjaneyar Temple considered as the first Anjaneyar Temple in Sri Lanka. Also, this Panchamuga Anjaneyar Temple in Sri Lanka which dedicated to Lord Hanuman in his Panchamuga form, meaning five faces. This temple is located Colombo Sri Lanka



Visit Kelaniya Temple

After King Ravana's death, Vibeeshana was coroneted as King of Lanka by Lakshmana at Kelaniya. There are murals enshrined outside the Buddhist temple depicting the crowning of Vibeeshana. The Kelani River is mentioned in the Valmiki Ramayana and Vibeeshana palace was said to be on the banks of this river.

Overnight stay at Colombo



**Day
08**

Colombo – Airport

Breakfast at the hotel

Check-out from the hotel and proceed to the airport

Travel Time from Colombo to International Airport about 1 hour

TBN: You should be at the airport 3 hours prior to the time of departure



Optional Entrance Fees

Sight/ Activity	Rate per person in USD (SAARC Nationalities)	Rate per person in USD (Other Markets)
Sigiriya Rock Fortress	\$15	\$30
Cultural Show	\$4	\$4
Kandy Temple	\$5	\$7
Botanical Gardens	\$10	\$10

Please note that the above rates are approximate and client can pay the amount at the sight

