# Travelling Femmes

## Luxury Lanka & Leopards



Join us on this unforgettable bespoke journey as we explore the natural paradise that is Sri Lanka!

This small island in the Indian Ocean, located off the coast of India, offers timeless ruins, endless pristine beaches, wildlife, famous tea and fabulous food...made extra special by its laid-back atmosphere and hospitable people.

8 days from \$4599\* pp twin share | departs Perth 18 November 2024

#### **PACKAGE INCLUSIONS & HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Aspire Lounge Access in Perth
- Return economy airfares with Singapore Airlines from Perth to Colombo (18- 25 November inclusive)
- 6 nights accommodation in luxurious 5 star hotels and resorts in Negombo, Kandy, Ella, Yala and Unawatuna
- Private transfers and touring with an English Speaking National Guide
- Visit to Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage
- City Tour in Kandy including the Temple of the Tooth Relic, Kandy Lake and the local market
- · Scenic Train Journey from Kandy to Ella
- Visit the famed Nine Arches Bridge & Little Adams Peak
- Jeep Safari in Yala National Park
- · Sunset Cocktails in Yala
- · Galle City Tour

- Take part in voluntary work at the Rosie May Foundationvisit a Pre-School and experience their Pink tuk-tuk program designed for women
- · Day at leisure to enjoy the beaches of Unawatuna
- Special Farewell Dinner at Paradise Road Tintagel Hotel
- Breakfast & Dinner Daily
- Entry Visa for Sri Lanka
- · Escorted by Travelling Femmes Hosts, Charlotte & Linda

#### \*\*REFER A FRIEND OFFER\*\*

Got a friend that may be interested in travelling with us?

We love to have new Femmes join us!

Send them our way and if they book YOU receive \$100\* off your tour price or obtain a credit for a future Femmes trip!



Prices based on twin share, single supplement available at a cost of \$1450. Airfares ex Perth included however subject to availability at the time of booking. Payment of airfares and your non-refundable tour deposit of \$2000 required at the time of booking. Itinerary subject to change due to factors beyond our control. A minimum of 10 travellers required for guaranteed group departure. Travel Insurance is mandatory, please contact us for more info. REFER A FRIEND OFFER- Valid for new travellers referred only. Not redeemable for cash or transferrable.

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## Your Itinerary

### Luxury Lanka & Leopards

Negombo – Kandy – Ella- Yala National Park- Unawatuna - Colombo

#### Day 1: Monday 18 November

#### **Depart Perth arrive Colombo**

Please meet us at Perth International Airport by 10:30am for your early afternoon flight departure.

To get our adventure started, we've arranged access to the Aspire Lounge inclusive of drinks and nibbles so that we get acquainted and excited!

#### WELCOME TO SRI LANKA!

Upon arrival into Colombo International Airport we will be greeted by our driver and transferred to our accommodation in Negombo, a short 30 minute drive away.

Situated only 10km's from the International Airport, the town of Negombo is situated on the Western part of the island and on the shores of a lagoon. It is a resort town with narrow streets, dotted with palm trees, many hotels, small boutiques and restaurants.

It has been an important trading port for both the Dutch and Portuguese in the years past.

Due to our late night arrival, the night is yours to get some rest and get a good night sleep before our journey continues tomorrow.

**Overnight:** Heritance Negombo (Deluxe Room)

Day 2- Tuesday 19 November

#### NEGOMBO – PINNAWALA ELEPHANT ORPHANAGE - KANDY

After enjoying breakfast, today we travel approx. 2.5 hours to Kandy.

Enroute we visit Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage which is home to approx. 60 elephants (out of which 50 are baby elephants) found abandoned or orphaned in the wild. We will hopefully time our visit so that we have the opportunity of seeing these 'babes' being bottle-fed. You could also see the elephants having their daily baths at a river close-by.

Kandy is the second largest city in the country after Colombo and was the last capital of the ancient kings' era of Sri Lanka. Kandy is a city of delightful chaos with it's bustling streets, ancient temples, colonial architecture, gardens and the glorious Kandy Lake forming the backdrop to a perfect stay amongst Sri-Lanka's lush green hills.

Later we embark on a city tour of Kandy. We visit Kandy's biggest attraction- The Temple of the Tooth Relic, one of the most sacred places of worship in the Buddhist world. Our city tour will also include Kandy upper lake viewpoint and a visit to the local market..

**Overnight:** Earl's Regency Hotel (Deluxe Room)

MEALS- Breakfast & Dinner

Day 3- Wednesday 20 November

#### KANDY - ELLA TRAIN

After breakfast we will be transferred to Kandy Station to embark on a scenic train journey to Ella!

We consider this to me one of our 'Must Do' experiences when travelling to Sri Lanka. This spectacular 7 hour train trip is one of the most photographed and for good reason... it's considered to be one of the

best in the world!

You'll board the train and experience breathtaking views of lush green tea plantations, mountains, viaducts, valleys, dense jungle, gushing streams and tumbling waterfalls. What's more, it's the perfect way to experience Sri Lankan life. Meet smiling locals on the train, wave to the running children along the tracks, and eat the spicy snacks sold by vendors who board at each stop.

Today we'll also have the opportunity to see the Nine Arches Bridge, located in Demodara.

**Overnight:** 98 Acres Resort & Spa (Deluxe Room)

MEALS- Breakfast & Dinner





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#### Day 4- Thursday 21 November

#### **ELLA**

Ella is a laid-back town in the Sri-Lankan highlands known for it's mountain forests, tea plantations, waterfalls and relatively cool climate.

Today we visit Little Adam's Peak. This short and sweet hike takes you up to the perfect viewpoint just outside of town.

The rest of the day will be at leisure for you to enjoy or go exploring!

Overnight: 98 Acres Resort & Spa

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 5- Friday 22 November

#### **ELLA- YALA NATIONAL PARK**

Get excited as today we go on SAFARI!

This morning we make the 3 hour drive to Yala National Park- the home to much of Sri Lanka's magnificent wildlife.

You'll immerse yourself in nature and embark on a unique safari experience. Yala National Park is a huge area of forest, grassland, salt and freshwater lagoons, making it the perfect home for wildlife.

Hop into one of the Jeeps commanded by a knowledgeable ranger for a guided tour tracking the impressive number of elephants,

crocodiles, wild boar and hopefully a leopard or two along the way. Despite the elusive nature of the leopard species, Yala boasts one of the densest leopard populations on the globe, increasing the likelihood of an encounter. Yala National Park plays a very significant role in the conservation of a large number of flora and fauna species in Sri Lanka, many of which are endemic to the island.

After what will have been an exhilarating day, tonight we'll enjoy sunset cocktails at the hotel.

Overnight: Jetwing Yala (Superior Room)

Meals- Breakfast & Dinner

Day 6- Saturday 23 November

#### YALA- GALLE- UNAWATUNA

As we say farewell to Yala we start our journey to Unawatuna, one of Sri Lankas best beaches!

En-route you'll enjoy a stop in Galle and get to visit Galle Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the largest remaining fortress in Asia.

This afternoon's planned activity is sure to be one to soothe your soul. We travel to take part in voluntary work at the Rosie May Foundation. The Rosie May Foundation does many wonderful things — one being their Pink Tuk-Tuk Project. This project trains mothers to be tuik-tuk drivers as a taxi service. Not only can mums generate a sustainable income for their families, but also

provide personal safety for their families and for women and girls travelling to work and school

We'll enjoy a ride to Kuleegoda where we'll visit a Pre-School. This Pre-School is home to many disadvantaged children. You'll have the opportunity to participate in interactive activities with the children.

**Overnight:** Araliya Unawatuna (Horizon Ocean View)

Meals- Breakfast & Dinner

Day 7- Sunday 24 November

## UNAWATUNA DAY AT LEISURE /DEPARTURE

Today will be at leisure until we travel back to Colombo mid afternoon.

Our Farewell Dinner will take place at the beautiful Paradise Road Tintagel Hotel. Tintagel is a stunning heritage structure of importance that was previously home to three of Sri Lanka's political leaders. Tindagel Colombo was selected as the chosen hotel to host his Royal Highness Prince of Wales and Her Royal Highness Duchess of Cornwall, now His Majesty King Charles III and Queen Camilla!

After dinner we head to the airport for our flight home in the late evening.

Day 8- Monday 25 November

Welcome Home!



