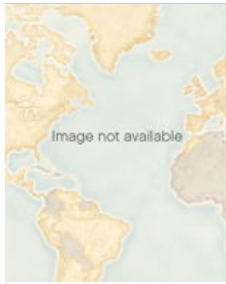


## Ports & Excursions



### Colombo, Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka conjures up the exotic and the mysterious. Once known as Ceylon, the island boasts a fantastic landscape that ranges from primeval rain forest to the bustling modern streets of Colombo, the capital. A visitor to Sri Lanka has a wealth of options. Relax on some of the world's finest beaches. Explore the temples, halls and palaces of the last Sinhalese kingdom at Kandy. Or take a guided tour of an elephant orphanage. Colombo also offers an array of charms, from the Royal Botanic Gardens, once a royal pleasure garden, to the Pettah Bazaar, where vendors hawk everything under the sun.

Colombo and Sri Lanka were shaped by Hindu, Buddhist, Muslim and European influences. Colombo also serves as a gateway for Overland Adventures to India.

### Points of Interest

#### 1 Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage

This 25-acre coconut grove has sheltered orphaned and endangered elephants since 1975. Visitors may watch and enjoy feedings and bathing sessions at this home to the greatest herd in captivity.

#### 2 Colombo National Museum

Thousands of antiquities as well as cultural and historical exhibits, paintings and manuscripts are on display in the galleries of this grand, Italian-architectural-style building opened in 1877.

#### 3 Asokaramaya Buddhist Temple

Don't be fooled by the modest exterior of this temple, originally built in the 1870s. Step inside and behold some of the most exquisite and lavish murals depicting early 20th century Buddhist art.

#### 4 Temple of the Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha

Believed to house the upper canine tooth of Lord Buddha, this 17th century red-roofed building attracts pilgrims bearing lotus flowers. Richly decorated, the inner shrine is guarded by two elephant tusks.

#### 5 Pettah Market

This colorful and lively open-air market in the heart of Colombo is anchored by the striped Red Mosque and is a wonderful place to stroll, sample local delicacies and purchase handmade souvenirs.

#### 6 Ingiriya Tea Plantation

See firsthand the intricate process of creating some of the world's most renowned gourmet tea products. Learn the steps from grading to packaging and bagging then sample some of the exotic blends.

#### 7 Negombo

Explore the unspoiled shores of this lagoon which was once a trading port, and visit attractions including a 1672 Dutch fort gate, quaint churches and an ancient temple believed to have been visited by Buddha.

#### 8 Royal Botanical Gardens

Originally reserved for royalty, the gardens were established by the British in 1821 and are renowned for their orchid collection, manicured grounds and over 300 species of exotic plants and blooms.

### Special Child Pricing Available!

Children age 12 and younger, savings up to 50%. For actual pricing information, click on tour title or Reserve button.

### Sightseeing & City Tours



**The Elephants of Pinnawela**  
CMB-105 | Colombo, Sri Lanka | Group Size: 35

You will visit:



7.5 hours

from \$99.95

Animal lovers will thrill to this intimate glimpse into the care and conservation of the elephants at the Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage. The 24-acre sanctuary, created to save abandoned elephants, is home to over 60 animals. View the gentle giants in open habitats and observe their daily rituals. Lunch is included.



**Colombo City Highlights**  
CMB-200 | Colombo, Sri Lanka | Group Size: 35

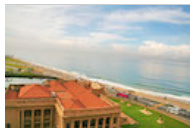
You will visit:



4 hours

from \$39.95

A comprehensive tour of lively Colombo combines a city driving tour with a visit to the National Museum and the Asokaramaya Buddhist Temple. See all the main sights, learn the history of this capital city, fill your camera with memories, and pause for refreshments at a local venue.



**City Drive**  
CMB-290 | Colombo, Sri Lanka

You will see:



2.5 hours

from \$34.95

This tour is designed for passengers who prefer to see some sights from the motorcoach with little or no walking involved. A leisurely drive through the bustling capital city of Colombo is the perfect choice for those who prefer a tour with little walking. See all the popular sights and colorful landmarks from the comfort of your motorcoach and enjoy photo stops at the National Museum and the Asokaramaya Buddhist Temple.



**Beach Escape**  
CMB-590 | Colombo, Sri Lanka | Group Size: 35

You will visit:



4 hours

from \$79.95

On the west coast of Sri Lanka, Negombo is renowned for picturesque beaches and luxurious oceanfront properties. Enjoy a relaxing day on the golden sand shores of the Jetwing Hotel. Swim in sparkling waters, windsurf, play beach volleyball or do nothing at all. A delicious buffet lunch serves local delicacies.



Most Popular

**Kandy, Temple of the Tooth & Botanical Gardens**  
CMB-100 | Colombo, Sri Lanka | Group Size: 30

You will visit:



12  
hours

from \$99.95

Experience the best of Sri Lanka on a daylong excursion that exposes guests to the culture and scenery of this exotic land. Discover the city of Kandy; explore botanical gardens, the Temple of the Tooth, the National Museum and learn about spice production at the Spice Garden. A buffet lunch is included.



Off the Beaten Path

**Tea Factory & Tea Plantation**  
CMB-230 | Colombo, Sri Lanka | Group Size: 16

You will visit:



6.5  
hours

from \$39.95

Sri Lanka is known for its fragrant, delicate teas, and a visit to the Ingiriya Tea Plantation and factory is an opportunity to discover the fascinating process that takes tea from the field to the cup. Learn the history of tea and sample a couple of the rich blends produced on the premises.