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SRI LANKA 2027

IN THE HEART OF CEYLON

**19–27 February 2027 | 7 days / 6 nights in
Sri Lanka**



Journey Overview

A compact yet rewarding itinerary through Sri Lanka's colonial coastline, central tea-growing highlands, historic capitals and Cultural Triangle.



The journey combines scenic transfers, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, Buddhist temples, tea plantations, spice gardens and time to relax, following a carefully planned itinerary designed for culturally curious adult travellers.

Overall travel period	19–27 February 2027, including international flights
Land tour	20–26 February 2027
Accommodation	6 nights in 4-star hotels or equivalent
Route	Colombo – Galle – Ella – Nuwara Eliya – Kandy – Matale – Sigiriya – Polonnaruwa – Dambulla – Negombo
Meal plan	Half board: breakfast and dinner; lunches not included
Group size	Minimum 10, maximum 20 participants
Tour support	Local English-speaking guide, with the cultural accompaniment of Nipuni (Italian / English / Sinhala)
International flights	Not included; individually purchased through our coordinated Booking Day service

International Flights & Booking Day

The international airfare is **not included** in the tour price. Each participant purchases their own flight independently. Global Dec coordinates the group on the same scheduled service and checks connections, baggage allowances and fare conditions to ensure compatibility across the group.

Reference Outbound Flight Schedule

Departure date	Friday, 19 February 2027
Airport	Rome Fiumicino (FCO)
Expected airline	Etihad Airways
Route	Rome Fiumicino – Abu Dhabi – Colombo
Indicative departure time	22:00
Indicative stopover	Abu Dhabi, approximately 2 hours and 10 minutes
Expected arrival	Saturday, 20 February 2027, 15:15, Colombo (CMB)
Estimated total duration	Approximately 12 hours and 15 minutes, including the connection



Prudent return-flight budget	EUR 850–1,050 / GBP 730–900
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Return

Departure from Colombo is scheduled for 26 February 2027, with arrival in Italy on 27 February, travelling on the Colombo – Abu Dhabi – Rome Fiumicino route. The final flight numbers and times will be available on the Booking Day and will not be considered confirmed until the airline system shows an available itinerary in the same booking class for the group.

Booking Day

First Booking Day	10 October 2026
Second Booking Day	7 November 2026
Checks carried out	Price, connections, airport, included baggage allowance, amendment/refund conditions, seat allocation and compatibility with transfers
Ticket issuance	Directly by the participant; the price is not guaranteed until purchase
Alternatives	Milan Malpensa or other itineraries only where compatible and, when requested, as a personalised flight-search service

Day-by-day operational itinerary

Day 0 – Friday, 19 February | Italy – Colombo

Participants will make their own way to Rome Fiumicino at the time communicated during the final briefing. Individual check-in for the coordinated Etihad flight via Abu Dhabi. Indicative departure at 22:00. Overnight journey and meals on board according to the fare and airline service.

Day 1 – Saturday, 20 February | Arrival in Colombo

Expected arrival at 15:15. After immigration, baggage reclaim and customs, meet the local guide in the arrivals area. Private transfer to the hotel, normally 45–60 minutes, although this may vary depending on traffic. Check-in, dinner and overnight stay. Any



introduction to the city will be brief and subject to the actual arrival time and the condition of the group.

Accommodation	Granbell Hotel, Superior Room, or equivalent
Meals included	Dinner
Physical activity level	Low
Technical note	Keep a change of clothes, medication and essential items for the first night in your hand luggage

Day 2 – Sunday, 21 February | Colombo – Galle – Ella

Transfer to Colombo Fort railway station and coastal train to Galle, subject to operational confirmation by the railway. Visit to Galle Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site: bastions, lighthouse, Clock Tower, colonial urban fabric and Portuguese-Dutch layers. Lunch not included. Continue by private vehicle to Ella, approximately 3 hours 30 minutes to 4 hours. Visit to Nine Arch Bridge only if daylight, traffic and timing allow.

Accommodation	O2 Ella, Deluxe Room, or equivalent
Meals included	Breakfast and dinner
Lunch	Not included
Transfers	Coastal train + private vehicle

Day 3 – Monday, 22 February | Ella – Nuwara Eliya – Kandy

Departure from Ella on the scenic train to Nanu Oya, travelling through valleys, waterfalls and tea plantations. The rail service is part of the experience but remains subject to availability, delays and changes by the local railway operator. Continue to Nuwara Eliya, at approximately 1,900 metres above sea level, with a visit to a tea plantation and factory and an introduction to the production



cycle of Ceylon tea. Subject to timing, brief visit to the town. Transfer to Kandy and overnight stay.

Accommodation	Earls Regent Hotel, Deluxe Room, or equivalent
Meals included	Breakfast and dinner
Climate	Cooler and more changeable at altitude; bring a sweatshirt and light jacket
Physical activity level	Low to moderate
Technical note	Carry a small daypack; main luggage will be transported by vehicle where possible

Day 4 – Tuesday, 23 February | Kandy – Matale – Sigiriya

Visit the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic. The local guide will cover the historical and religious context, while Nipunì will support the group in understanding cultural codes and appropriate behaviour in sacred places. Continue to the Royal Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya and, if the programme allows, a brief stop at the Garrison Cemetery. Visit a spice garden in Matale. Arrival in Sigiriya and check-in for two nights.

Accommodation	Aliya Resort & Spa, Wooden Chalet, or equivalent
Meals included	Breakfast and dinner
Temple clothing	Shoulders and knees covered; shoes that are easy to remove
Physical activity level	Moderate; walking visits and hot weather

Day 5 – Wednesday, 24 February | Sigiriya – Polonnaruwa – Sigiriya

Early-morning departure for the Lion Rock of Sigiriya, a fifth-century UNESCO site. The climb includes metal staircases and exposed sections; anyone who does not wish or is unable to complete it may agree an alternative compatible with the logistics. After returning and having breakfast, time to rest. Afternoon excursion to Polonnaruwa: Gal Vihara, the Sacred Quadrangle, the Royal Palace and Rankot Vihara. Return to Sigiriya.

Accommodation	Aliya Resort & Spa or equivalent
Meals included	Breakfast and dinner



Physical activity level	Moderate to high for the Sigiriya climb
Equipment	Shoes with good grip, water and a hat; open footwear is not recommended
Accessibility	Please report in advance any vertigo or cardiac, joint or respiratory conditions

Day 6 – Thursday, 25 February | Sigiriya – Dambulla – Negombo

Departure for Negombo, with a visit to the Dambulla Cave Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The caves require an uphill walk and entry is barefoot; surfaces may be hot or slippery. Lunch not included en route. Continue to Negombo, arriving in the late afternoon, with free time at the beach or pool depending on the actual arrival time. Dinner and overnight stay.

Accommodation	Goldi Sands Hotel, Deluxe Room, or equivalent
Meals included	Breakfast and dinner
Lunch	Not included
Physical activity level	Moderate
Sea note	Free time does not constitute supervised beach service; follow local conditions and hotel guidance

Days 7–8 – 26–27 February | Negombo – Colombo – Italy

Breakfast and free time according to the flight schedule. Private transfer to Bandaranaike International Airport, normally around 20 minutes from Negombo. Check-in for the Etihad international flight via Abu Dhabi. Arrival in Italy is expected on 27 February, according to the flight itinerary purchased. The transfer will be scheduled with a prudent margin for traffic, document checks and baggage drop-off.

Planned hotels

Colombo – 1 night	Granbell Hotel, Superior Room, or equivalent
Ella – 1 night	O2 Ella, Deluxe Room, or equivalent
Kandy – 1 night	Earls Regent Hotel, Deluxe Room, or equivalent



Sigiriya – 2 nights	Aliya Resort & Spa, Wooden Chalet, or equivalent
Negombo – 1 night	Goldi Sands Hotel, Deluxe Room, or equivalent

The properties listed represent the planned selection and do not constitute a guarantee of specific allocation until confirmed by the supplier. In the event of unavailability, they may be replaced with hotels of an equivalent category and standard, while maintaining, as far as possible, the same area, meal plan and overall quality.

Prices, Terms and Deadlines

Standard price	EUR 1,890 / GBP 1,625 per person in a double or twin room
Launch price	EUR 1,850 / GBP 1,595 for the first five contracts with deposit paid by 30 September 2026
Single-room supplement	EUR 450 / GBP 390
Deposit	EUR 500 / GBP 430
Second instalment	EUR 700 / GBP 600 by 15 November 2026
Standard final balance	EUR 690 / GBP 595 by 15 December 2026
Launch-price final balance	EUR 650 / GBP 565 by 15 December 2026

The price includes

- 6 nights in 4-star hotels, in a double or twin room
- Breakfast and dinner as specified in the programme
- Private transfers in Sri Lanka by bus or van with a dedicated driver
- Local English-speaking guide
- Cultural support from Nipuni, who speaks Italian, English and Sinhala
- Entrance fees to the main sites included in the programme
- Two scenic train journeys, subject to operation and confirmation
- Transfers to and from Colombo Airport
- Global Dec coordination and assistance

The price does not include

- Return international flights between Italy and Colombo



- Lunches, drinks and snacks
- ETA and the related assistance service
- Travel insurance
- Tips and personal expenses
- Single-room accommodation
- Anything not expressly listed under the inclusions

The tour is confirmed with a minimum of 10 participants. The planned maximum group size is 20. The land price does not include the international flight.

Documents, Entry Requirements and Insurance

Passport

- Individual passport in good condition, with sufficient remaining validity in accordance with the regulations applicable at the time of travel, and with blank pages available.
- The name on the airline ticket must match the passport exactly, including any middle names where applicable.
- Keep both a digital and a printed copy of your passport, stored separately from the original.
- Any passport renewal or replacement after the airline ticket has been issued must be communicated immediately.

Sri Lanka ETA

An Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) will be required before departure, in accordance with the regulations in force in 2027. Costs, exemptions, the official application portal and requirements must be checked again before submitting the application and should not be considered final based on current regulations.

Insurance

Travel and medical insurance valid for Sri Lanka is mandatory and must include:

- 24/7 emergency assistance
- Medical expenses
- Repatriation
- Emergency assistance and management



Cancellation cover is strongly recommended.

Participants must provide at least:

- Insurance company
- Policy number
- Period of validity
- Emergency contact
- Confirmation that Sri Lanka is covered by the policy

Health and Personal Responsibility

- Consult your doctor regarding any individual medical needs, ongoing treatments, recommended vaccinations or prophylaxis, and your fitness for activities involving uphill walking.
- Bring sufficient medication for the entire journey in its original packaging, together with a prescription or medical letter where appropriate.
- Drink bottled water, use insect repellent and take normal food hygiene precautions.
- Please inform us before departure of any allergies, intolerances, mobility limitations or medical conditions that may affect the safe operation of the tour.

Practical Information

Currency	Sri Lankan Rupee; cards are widely accepted in hotels and cities, while cash is useful in rural areas.
Languages	Sinhala and Tamil; English is widely spoken in the tourism sector. Nipuni provides assistance in Italian.
Time difference	In February, Sri Lanka is 4 hours and 30 minutes ahead of Italy.
Climate	Tropical and warm along the coast and lowlands; cooler temperatures in the central highlands.
Electricity	Type D/G sockets; a universal travel adapter is recommended.
Connectivity	Roaming, eSIM or local SIM card; coverage may be limited outside the main urban areas.



Payments	Revolut Business, bank transfer, SumUp, Revolut Merchant and American Express, according to the payment methods communicated.
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Optional Services

Assisted ETA application and passport check	EUR 49 / GBP 45
Departure Support Pack	EUR 125 / GBP 110 – ETA application, document check, travel checklist, final travel dossier and pre-departure verification
Personalised flight search	EUR 95 / GBP 85 per booking
Complex flight itineraries or alternative departure airports	EUR 145 / GBP 125 per booking
Flight amendment or re-protection service	EUR 75 / GBP 65 per request, excluding airline penalties and fare differences
eSIM with configuration and support	EUR 55 / GBP 48
Medical, baggage and cancellation insurance	From EUR 130 / GBP 115, individual quotation through an authorised partner
Additional night or early check-in	Supplier's cost + EUR 60 / GBP 52 service fee
Urgent service (within 72 hours)	EUR 95 / GBP 85

Key Dates

14 September 2026 – 9:00 pm	Presentation meeting – Via dei Santeschi 30, Pontetetto, Lucca
By 30 September 2026	Launch offer deadline for the first five confirmed bookings
10 October 2026	First Booking Day and indicative deadline for contract and deposit
7 November 2026	Second Booking Day
15 November 2026	Second instalment due
15 December 2026	Final balance due
By 10 January 2027	Passport, ETA and insurance deadline
7 February 2027	Final pre-departure briefing
19 February 2027	Departure

Contatti e note finali



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Contractual and Operational Notice

This brochure complements the visual presentation by providing technical and organisational information. However, it does not replace the travel contract, the booking conditions, the insurance policy, the airline ticket or the final operational communications.

Flight schedules, hotels, railway services, entrance fees, entry requirements, fares and baggage allowances are all subject to change.

Final confirmations will be provided through the travel contract, the Booking Day, the departure dossier and the final pre-departure briefing.