



Soft Adventure Holiday – Sri Lanka

11 Days / 10 Nights | Private Guided Tour

Target Market: German-speaking travelers seeking light adventure & cultural immersion

Style: Semi-Luxury | Soft Adventure | Culture & Nature | Private Chauffeur-Driven

Overview:

Embark on an unforgettable **11-day Soft Adventure Holiday in Sri Lanka**, a journey designed for nature lovers, active travelers, and culture enthusiasts seeking immersive experiences without sacrificing comfort. This tour blends **light adventure**—such as jungle trekking, wildlife safaris, white-water rafting, and hill country hikes—with **cultural richness**, heritage sites, and authentic local encounters.

Your route takes you from the **ancient kingdoms of the Cultural Triangle**, through misty **tea plantations** and hill towns, to **wildlife-rich national parks**, before ending on the golden shores of the west coast. You'll explore **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**, enjoy **jeep safaris**, trek through **rainforests and highland plateaus**, and even try an **elephant-safari** and **luxury camping** experience.

Carefully crafted for the **German market**, this itinerary prioritizes **comfort, sustainability**, and **active exploration**, staying in a mix of 4-star resorts, colonial hotels, rustic lodges, and curated eco-retreats. The meal plan includes **Half Board**, and private transport with a dedicated chauffeur-guide ensures seamless travel.

Whether you're capturing panoramic views from **Sigiriya Rock**, rafting the rapids of **Kitulgala**, or trekking through the **Sinharaja Rainforest**, this itinerary promises **authentic adventure** with a soft touch.

Who is this for?

- ❖ Active travelers aged 30–65
 - ❖ Small groups, couples, or families
 - ❖ Culture, wildlife, and nature lovers
 - ❖ Guests looking for light physical activity with comfort
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Key Features:

- ❖ Private tour with English-speaking chauffeur-guide
 - ❖ 4-star and boutique eco-lodge accommodations
 - ❖ Guided safaris in **Yala & Udawalawe National Parks**
 - ❖ Hiking at **Horton Plains, Ella, and Kaludiya Pokuna**
 - ❖ Scenic train ride through tea country
 - ❖ White water rafting at Kitulgala
 - ❖ UNESCO World Heritage Sites
 - ❖ Luxury camping in the wild
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Destinations Covered:

Dambulla – Polonnaruwa – Sigiriya – Kandy – Kitulgala – Nuwara Eliya – Ella – Yala – Udawalawe – Sinharaja – Negombo

Sri Lanka | Tailored for the German Market

Tour Type: Private Guided | Soft Adventure & Culture | Chauffeur-Driven

Accommodation: 4-Star Hotels + Selected Basic Lodges

Meal Plan: Half Board (Breakfast & Dinner Included)

Day 01: Airport Arrival / Dambulla

Distance: 185 km | **Drive Time:** Approx. 4 hrs

Upon arrival at Bandaranaike International Airport, you will be met and welcomed by your dedicated English-speaking chauffeur-guide. Embark on a scenic drive to Dambulla. On arrival, check-in to your hotel – the serene **Tropical Resort & Spa (4*)**, nestled along the banks of Kandalama Lake. The rest of the day is free to relax and recover from your journey.

Overnight & Dinner: Tropical Resort & Spa (4*), Dambulla



Day 02: Dambulla / Polonnaruwa / Habarana / Dambulla

Distance: 210 km | **Duration:** 6 hrs (with sightseeing)

After breakfast, depart for **Polonnaruwa**, Sri Lanka's medieval capital from the 11th to 13th century and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit the majestic ruins including the Vatadage, Thuparama Image House, and the awe-inspiring **Gal Vihara** rock carvings – showcasing seated, standing, and reclining Buddha statues carved from a single granite rock.

In the afternoon, enjoy a **1-hour elephant-back safari in Habarana**, through jungle terrain and local village landscapes. Return to Dambulla.

Overnight & Dinner: Tropical Resort & Spa (4*), Dambulla



Day 03: Kaludiya Pokuna Trek / Sigiriya Rock Fortress

Distance: 75 km | **Duration:** 4.5 hrs (with visits)

Start your morning optionally with a magical **Hot Air Balloon Ride** at sunrise (pre-booking required).

After breakfast, head for a nature trek to **Kaludiya Pokuna**, an ancient monastery complex nestled in the jungle, featuring ruined temples, meditation caves, and untouched wilderness. Later, explore the famous **Sigiriya Rock Fortress** – the 8th Wonder of the World, with its frescoes, mirror wall, water gardens, and panoramic views.

Overnight & Dinner: Tropical Resort & Spa (4*), Dambulla



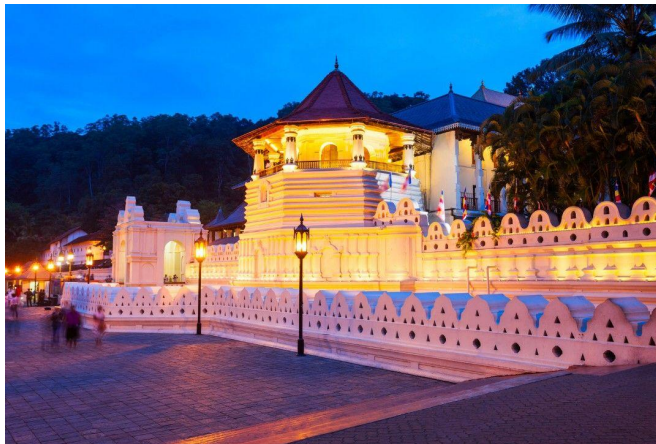
Day 04: Dambulla / Matale / Kandy + City Tour

Distance: 138 km | **Drive Time:** 3.5 hrs

After breakfast, visit the **Dambulla Rock Cave Temple**, home to over 150 Buddha images in spectacular cave shrines. En route to Kandy, stop at a **Batik Factory** and **Spice Garden** in Matale.

Arrive in Kandy and check-in at the hilltop . In the afternoon, enjoy a city tour including a visit to the sacred **Temple of the Tooth Relic**, followed by a vibrant **cultural dance show**.

Overnight & Dinner:, **Kandy Topaz hotel**



Day 05: Peradeniya Gardens / Kitulgala Rafting

Distance: 100 km | **Drive Time:** 4.5 hrs (with visits)

After breakfast, visit the **Royal Botanical Gardens in Peradeniya**, home to over 4,000 plant species. Proceed to **Kitulgala**, a riverside town famous for its lush jungles and as the filming location of "The Bridge on the River Kwai."

Check-in at **Rafters Retreat** – a rustic eco-lodge ideal for adventure seekers. Enjoy an exhilarating **White Water Rafting** session on the **Kelani River** (grade 2–3 rapids). End your day with a refreshing river bath.

Overnight & Dinner: Rafters Retreat, Kitulgala (Basic Lodge)



Day 06: Tea Country Journey to Nuwara Eliya

Distance: 155 km | **Drive Time:** 4 hrs

After breakfast, journey to **Nuwara Eliya**, a hill-country town reminiscent of a bygone British era. En route, stop at a **working tea factory** to observe the tea-making process, and enjoy a hands-on **tea plucking experience**. Arrive at **Araliya red (4*)**, an elegant hotel converted from a colonial tea factory. Evening relax in **Gregory lake**.

Overnight & Dinner: Araliya red, Nuwara eliya



Day 07: Horton Plains Trek / Scenic Train Ride to Ella

Distance: 80 km drive + 1.5 hrs train ride

Collect your packed breakfast and depart early to **Horton Plains National Park** – a windswept highland plateau featuring dramatic drops such as **World's End**. Spot sambar deer, jungle fowl, and other wildlife.

Continue to **Ohiya Station**, where you board the **Podimenike Train** for a scenic ride to Ella, known for its lush mountain landscapes. Arrive and transfer to **Ella Adventure Park**.

Overnight & Dinner: 88 ELLA Hotel



Day 08: Ella Hiking / Transfer to Tissamaharama

Distance: 100 km | Drive Time: 2.5 hrs

Morning trekking around **Ella Gap**, **Little Adam's Peak** or **Ravana's Cave**.

Later, drive to the south of the island to reach **Tissamaharama**, gateway to Sri Lanka's premier national parks.

Overnight & Dinner: Magapura Eco resort, Tissamaharama



Day 09: Yala Safari / Udawalawe Wildlife Experience

Distance: 100 km | **Drive Time:** 2.5 hrs

Early morning, enjoy a **3-hour jeep safari at Yala National Park**, famous for its high leopard density. Return for breakfast and continue to **Udawalawe**.

After lunch at the camping site, depart on another **jeep safari in Udawalawe National Park**, well-known for elephants, buffalo, deer, crocodiles, and birdlife.

Overnight & Dinner: Luxury Camping Experience, Udawalawe



Day 10: Sinharaja Rainforest Trek / Transfer to Negombo

Distance: 400 km | **Drive Time:** Full day incl. 4-hour trek

After breakfast, proceed to **Sinharaja Rainforest**, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve rich in endemic flora and fauna. Enjoy a **4-hour guided trek** exploring its biodiversity and birdlife.

Transfer to the beach town of **Negombo** and check-in at **Arie lagoon negombo (4*)**.

Overnight & Dinner: Arie lagoon Negombo, Negombo



Day 11: Negombo Leisure / Airport Departure

Distance: 12 km | **Transfer Time:** 30 minutes

Morning at leisure on the beach. Check out and transfer to the airport for your onward flight.



Tour Price – Per Person (Double/Twin Sharing Basis)

Currency	Price
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GBP	£ 975.00
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EURO	€1,160.00
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USD	\$1320.00
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All prices are net and include applicable taxes.

Tour Inclusions

- ❖ 10 Nights' hotel accommodation with daily breakfast & dinner
 - ❖ Private A/C transport with English-speaking chauffeur-guide
 - ❖ Entrance tickets to all sites mentioned
 - ❖ Jeep safaris at Yala & Udawalawe
 - ❖ 01-hour elephant ride in Habarana
 - ❖ Train ticket (observation saloon)
 - ❖ Nature trekking fees (Kaludiya Pokuna, Horton Plains, Sinharaja)
 - ❖ White water rafting session in Kitulgala
 - ❖ Luxury camping at Udawalawe
 - ❖ All government taxes
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Tour Exclusions

- ❖ International air tickets & visa fees
 - ❖ Lunches & beverages
 - ❖ Camera/video permits at heritage sites
 - ❖ Personal expenses (minibar, laundry, tips, etc.)
 - ❖ Travel insurance
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Booking Terms & Conditions

- ❖ Optional activities (Hot Air Ballooning) are available upon request
- ❖ All site visits and excursions are undertaken at client's own risk
- ❖ Programs are subject to change due to weather or unforeseen conditions

Hotel Check-in/Check-out Policy

- **Check-in:** 14:00 hrs
- **Check-out:** 12:00 hrs

Cancellation Policy

- **21 days or less** before arrival: 100% cancellation fee
 - **21 to 30 days** before arrival: 50% cancellation fee
 - **Above 30 days:** No cancellation fee unless supplier commitments apply
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