TOUR NUMBER GTT-01

THE BEST OF SRI LANKA – HISTORIC KANDY AND SCENIC (HILL CAPITAL)
FULL DAY EXCURSION WITH LUNCH

07:00 Hrs  Depart from Seaport of Colombo to Kandy. Enroute drive through beautiful Countryside seeing Rice Paddy Fields, growing of fruits and vegetables, pineapples and passing through very scenic Villages and colourful Towns.

10:30 Hrs  Arrive at the Royal botanic Gardens Peradeniya and visit by foot, the Orchid House, the Indoor Plants Stadium and thereafter, walk around the gardens freely.

11:15 Hrs  Depart to hotel for a Buffet Lunch, usually – A well spread Western and Oriental Menu.

11:30 Hrs  Arrive at the Oak Ray Regency for Lunch. After lunch, shopping arround for Gems, Batiks, Handicrafts Curious and visit the Wood carving factory.

12:30 Hrs  Depart to the Sacred Temple of the Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha.

12:45 Hrs  Arrive at the Temple and visit.

13:30 Hrs  Depart to Spice Garden

14:45 Hrs  Arrive and visit a Spice Garden at Mawanella enroute to Colombo.

15:30 Hrs  Depart to Seaport

19:00 Hrs  Arrive at the pier, Ship side.

"Excursion Ends"

THE PRICE

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- 3 to 10 years Children will be charged 50% from Adult Rate.
- 15 Pax and above group, TOUR LEADER will be on FOC

SERVICE INCLUDES

Approximate Duration : 12 Hours
Activity Level (Easy, Moderate, Strenuous) : Moderate
List of Sites Visited : Peradeniya Royal Botanic Gardens, Temple of the Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha and a Spice Garden
Meals : Included Western and Oriental Buffet lunch (Please Inform us if GLUTEN FREE Meals are Required)
Refreshment : Included (Either a bottle of 500ml Mineral Water or a Bottled Soft Drink)
Meal / Refreshment Venue : Oak Ray Regency – Peradeniya Kandy
Entrance Fee : Included in Tour Cost
Accompanying Tour Guide Supplement Where applicable : Included in Tour Cost
Porterage & Tips : Not included (Optional)

PARTICIPATION RESTRICTIONS

Dress Code : Casual (Hats and shoes must be removed before entering the Temple of the Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha. "NO SHORTS PERMITTED " Shoulders and Knees must be covered)
Min Age to Participate - | Max Age to Participate | Nil
Min Height to Participate - | Max Height to Participate | Nil
Min Weight to Participate - | Max Weight to Participate | Nil
Medical Restrictions (if applicable) : No
Wheelchair Access : Not recommended
KANDY TOUR DESCRIPTIONS
The Kings of Kandy who ruled in the last independent kingdom of Sri Lanka, experienced over two centuries, the siege by three European powers and resisted invasion. The islanders saw the ruler of Kandy as their King but political and economic borders were replaced by emotional and religious ties. The Buddhist centers, Malwatte and Asgiriya chapters were honored by both laymen and monks, but Kandy was regarded as the last bastion of the Sinhalese Kings. There is much to see in the city, with narrow colourful streets full of people and typical old buildings. The Municipal Market is a picturesque market with fruits and vegetables, textiles and clothing. Another attraction is the Man-made Lake of Kandy 1700 feet above sea level.

THE ROYAL PALACE COMPLEX - The Royal Palace consists of the King’s Palace, The Queens Palace, the Audience Hall, The Royal Bath House and the Royal Summer House. Only the remains are left to be seen. The airy rooms of the Queens Palace, complete with cloisters and a central courtyard, are now decorated as the National Museum. In the rooms where once the royalties resided are pre-colonial art objects exhibited. There are memories of the surrender to the British in 1815 which was decided by the Kandy rulers at a meeting in the Audience Hall. The roof of the audience hall is supported by columns of processed teakwood. Although the majority are Sinhalese Buddhists in Kandy, the rulers of the ancient kingdom gave equal rights to all ethnic and religious groups.

TEMPLE OF THE TOOTH RELIC OF LORD BUDDHA (SRI DALADA MALIGAWA) - The Temple of the Tooth the most sacred relic of Buddhism and is the most precious symbol of Sinhalese pride. The tooth was carried around by the former rulers and has survived many disasters. The tooth itself is rarely displayed and stored in a strictly controlled set of interlocking caskets. The offerings, puja ceremonies to honour the relic every day is held at sunrise mid-day and at sunset.

THE KANDY LAKE - The shady trail around the lake offers a nice view of the hills and the city. The last Sinhala king built the Lake in 1807. The island in the lake was the site of the Royal Summer House. Beyond the bathhouse is the Royal Promenade which brings you to the Kandyan Arts and Crafts Association. Here you can buy Handicrafts, Brass and Silver wares which are wonderful examples of applied art, manufactured on site. The buildings themselves provide a good impression of the Kandyan architecture. Elephants can be seen frequently around Kandy, both in the town and the suburbs. Working elephants might be spotted anywhere and you may catch the Temple of the Tooth elephants hanging around near the Temple or at the Elephants bathing place near the bridge over the Mahaweli River at Lewella. There is a forest sanctuary north of the Lake called Udawattekele and you can have a stroll around this cool and pleasant forest so close to the heart of Kandy. There are plenty of huge trees, many birds and insect life and more than a few monkeys in this forest.

PERADENIYA ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS - Nearby Kandy, The Peradeniya Botanical Gardens is easily one of its kind in the world. The many beautiful avenues will lead one to sections which provide a burst of tropical flora and colourful trees. The great lawns highlight huge tropical trees, while you will be surprised at the variety of bamboo growing in one place. The best attraction of the Garden is the Orchid House, which has more than 300 varieties of exquisite orchids from the rare indigenous Foxtail and Vesak orchid. The Spice Trees give you a firsthand introduction to the plants and creepers that produce the special spices of Sri Lanka. The Herbarium grows many of the plants used for the traditional Ayurvedic pharmacopoeia while the indoor plants stadium has a variety of greens you would like to have in your home.

SPICE GARDENS offers tourists, memorable visits to various spice plantations in Sri Lanka. During early historical times, Sri Lanka known as Taprobane, was world renowned for its Quality Spices. During ancient times, the Greeks Romans and the Arabs maintained their links with Sri Lanka through the spice trade. In the 16th century, Ceylon as it was then known, was discovered by the Portuguese who soon began trading in cinnamon and other spices.

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