

Maldives & Sri Lanka

14 DAY TOUR OF SRI LANKA AND THE MALDIVES WITH FLIGHTS INCLUDED.

From
\$3499*
per person twin share
14 DAYS



Kick off your trip with the highlights of Sri Lanka before venturing to paradise on Earth. Romantic beach villas, blinding white beaches, palm trees swaying in the breeze – that's just a taste of what you'll experience in the Maldives.

At a glance

Experience the magic of Maldives, together with the cultural delights of Sri Lanka on this incredible 14 day package visiting Negombo, Kandy, Galle and beyond. Enjoy a guided tour of Negombo, journey to the ancient city of Polonnaruwa, travel to Sigiriya, come face to face with elephant; and then head to the spectacular Maldives for four days and five nights at the 4 star Adaaran Select Meedhupparu (Includes hotel pre-registration/ early check in due arrival time). Enjoy three meals daily in the Maldives, plus an all-inclusive drinks package. This once in a lifetime trip includes return airport and seaplane transfers, English-speaking tour guides in Sri Lanka, and so much more.

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Offer available for a limited time
or until sold out.



The itinerary

Day 1

Australia – Negombo, Sri Lanka

Leave from Sydney for Negombo, Sri Lanka today with Sri Lankan Airlines. Once you arrive you'll be met by a tour representative and taken to your hotel.

Please note: Customers from Sydney will fly via Melbourne
Overnight: Negombo (standard or premium hotel option)
Meals included: In flight

Day 2

Negombo city tour – Sigiriya

After breakfast, enjoy a guided city tour of Negombo. This vibrant coastal city is renowned for its wonderfully fresh seafood, as well as fantastic diving opportunities. Following the tour, travel to Sigiriya and stop at the UNESCO World Heritage listed Sigiriya Rock Fortress, also known as 'Lion Rock' where you can join an optional tour.

Built by King Kashyapa in 477-495 AD, Sigiriya Rock Fortress rises 200m above the jungle and offers stunning views of the area. Afterwards, you'll be taken back to your hotel for the evening.

Overnight: Sigiriya (standard or premium hotel option)
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3

Polonnaruwa

Following breakfast at the hotel, travel to the ancient city of Polonnaruwa. Upon arrival, take the opportunity to join an optional guided city tour or enjoy some free time. The medieval former capital of Polonnaruwa is considered the crown jewel of King Parakramabahu I. Walk across the scattered walls of this World Heritage Site, gazing in wonder at the stupas, resting Buddha statues, irrigation canals and fantastically carved Hindu sculptures. The rest of the day is free to spend however you like.

Overnight: Sigiriya (standard or premium hotel option)
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4

Sigiriya – Dambulla – Kandy – Cultural show

After breakfast, travel to Dambulla and stop at the Rock Cave Temple where you can join an optional guided tour. An icon of Sri Lanka, Dambulla Rock Cave Temple houses unique drawings in five magnificently constructed cave temples flanking the golden temple of Dambulla. See beautiful cave paintings along walls that shelter 150 statues of Lord Buddha. As you enter, look straight up to the gigantic Buddha statue glittering in gold. Afterwards continue to Kandy where you can also join an optional guided city tour. The World Heritage site, and last royal capital of Sri Lankan kings, is a centre of culture, history and heritage. A stroll across this small lakeside town will take in the Kandy city centre, as well as a bazaar, arts and crafts centre, and gem and lapidary museum. Get a taste of local life with a wander through the Kandy market. Afterwards, head to the hotel and enjoy a cultural show in the evening with the tour group.

Overnight: Kandy (standard or premium hotel option)
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5

Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage

Today you're off to Pinnawala to visit the Elephant Orphanage. Established in 1975, Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage was originally home to just seven orphans and today some of these orphans enjoy the fortune of seeing their grandchildren born in the same location. Afterwards, return to the hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Kandy (standard or premium hotel option)
Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 6

Galle city tour – Koggala

This morning you'll head out on a guided city tour of Galle. As you walk the streets, see how European architecture mingles with South Asian traditions. Preserved for more than three centuries, the Galle Dutch Fortress still has its original ramparts and bastions. Beyond the old gate bearing the British coat of arms you will see the Zwart bastion, the lighthouse and the Point Utrecht Bastion. Venture into the Dutch Hospital Shopping Complex for a wide range of souvenirs. After the tour, continue to Koggala to your hotel.

Overnight: Koggala (standard or premium hotel option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7

Koggala – Colombo

Following breakfast, travel to the capital city of Colombo where you'll go on a guided city tour. A race course, which was a horse racing hub in 1893 and a World War II airstrip, will be your first stop. The course is now furnished with lavish clothing, food and tea boutiques. After, head to Pettah to peruse the Floating Market's architecturally designed stalls, where concrete floors and minimalist decor are designed to reflect the calm water of the lake below. Afterwards, head to Independence Square, where the revamped shopping arcade has turned the colonial masterpiece into one of the trendiest shopping areas in Sri Lanka. Listen for the chiming bells of Gangaramaya Temple, before heading to the hotel to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Colombo (standard or premium hotel option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8

Colombo – Male, Maldives

Today after breakfast, check out of the hotel and head to the airport for your short flight to Male, Maldives. Upon arrival in Male, you will be met at the airport by a representative and taken to the hotel by seaplane, where you can relax and unwind for the next five nights.

Overnight: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu, Maldives

Meals included: Breakfast and dinner

Day 9

Free day

Overnight: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu, Maldives

Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 10

Free day

Overnight: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu, Maldives

Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 11

Free day

Overnight: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu, Maldives

Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 12

Free day

Overnight: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu, Maldives

Meals included: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 13

Male – Australia

Today you'll head to the airport by seaplane for your return flight back to Australia, via Colombo.

Meals included: Breakfast and in flight

Day 14

Arrive in Australia



Tour inclusions

Highlights

- Discover the highlights of Sri Lanka
- Visit the historic cities of Kandy, Colombo, Galle and more
- Enjoy a guided tour of the vibrant coastal city of Negombo
- Travel to Sigiriya, home of the ancient rock fortress
- Journey to the ancient city of Polonnaruwa
- Visit the famous Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage
- Enjoy a cultural show in Kandy, Sri Lanka's holiest city
- Visit Galle Fort, also known as the Dutch Fort, on a sightseeing tour of Galle
- See Gangaramaya Temple on a Colombo city tour
- Enjoy 6 days at the 4 Star Adaaran Select Meedhupparu

Flights

- Return international flights to Sri Lanka & Maldives (economy class) ex SYD
- Fly with award-winning Sri Lankan Airlines

Accommodation

- 7 nights hotel accommodation on tour in Sri Lanka (standard or premium option)
- 5 nights hotel accommodation in a Standard Beach Villa in the Maldives
- Take advantage of 30% off spa treatments at Adaaran Select Meedhupparu

Dining

- Enjoy 21 meals including 3 meals a day in the Maldives
- All inclusive drinks package for alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks in the Maldives
- Daily snacks and refreshments, served throughout the day in the Maldives

Tour essential

- English-speaking tour guide (Day 2-7)
- Airline taxes and surcharges

Transport

Transportation by A/C vehicles

Transfers

- Return airport transfers with meet and assist in Sri Lanka
- Return airport seaplane transfers in the Maldives



Important information

Booking information

After purchase, you'll receive a receipt and a purchase confirmation directing you to an online Passenger Booking Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed **within 72 hours of purchase**.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras must be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the schedule of fees below.

On purchasing this travel offer you're bound by the General **Terms and Conditions** in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this important information.

Please note: All additional charges are payable direct to the NRMA (unless otherwise stated).

Offer essentials

- Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 17th April 2019
- Travel offer is valid for one person based on twin share

Single traveller supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies:

- Standard option: \$1770
- Premium option: \$1950

Departure dates (2018)

September: 5

October: 17

*November: 5

2019:

^*February: 6

*March: 6

*April: 17

Surcharges

Dates/months with a * or ^ incur a high season surcharge:

* Land high season: \$200 per person (standard or premium package)

^ Flight high season: \$300 per person (standard or premium package)

Departure cities

Sydney

Flights

Airlines used

Etihad Airways, Qatar Airways, Kenya Airways, Ethiopian Airways, Sri Lankan Airlines plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability)

Please note: One-way flights cannot be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Arrive early

Not available

Stay behind

Not available

Stopover packages

Not available

Flight class upgrades

Not available



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Accommodation

Standard package:

3-4 star (self rated)

- Negombo, Sri Lanka: Goldi Sands Hotel
- Sigiriya, Sri Lanka: Hotel Sigiriya
- Kandy, Sri Lanka: Hotel Topaz Kandy
- Koggala, Sri Lanka: The Long Beach
- Colombo, Sri Lanka: Fairway Colombo

4 Star (self-rated)

- Male, Maldives: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu – Standard 'Beach Villa'

Premium package:

4 star (self-rated)

- Negombo, Sri Lanka: Arie Lagoon
- Sigiriya, Sri Lanka: Amaya Lake
- Kandy, Sri Lanka: Earl's Regent Hotel
- Koggala area, Sri Lanka: Amari Galle
- Colombo, Sri Lanka: Ramada Colombo
- Male, Maldives: Adaaran Select Meedhupparu – Standard 'Beach Villa' (4 star property)

Please note: Rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.

Extra nights

Not available

Maximum room capacity

2 people

Child Policy

- No child discounts
- Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents

- Valid for children/infants 6 years old and over
- Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel
- No unaccompanied minors allowed

Triple share

Not available

Bedding configuration

Double or twin bedding (subject to availability)

Adjoining rooms

Not available

General tour information

Minimum group size 14, maximum group size 20 per vehicle

Optional tours and activities

Day 2: Sigiriya Rock Fortress Tour: \$50 AUD

Day 3&4: Polonnaruwa City & Kandy City Tour: \$70 AUD

Day 4: Dambulla Rock Cave Temple Tour: \$25 AUD

Please note:

- Prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions
- The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone prior to submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability)
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements (a tourist visa for Sri Lanka is a strict requirement, however a 30 day tourist visa will be granted upon arrival in the Maldives if travelling on an Australian passport)



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- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Recommended gratuities/tipping: Sri Lanka Tour: 1000 Rupees (approx. \$9 AUD) per person per guide / driver. Maldives: at the customer's discretion payable in either USD or Maldivian Rufiyaa.
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (mandatory)

Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised before all details can be finalised.

Other important information

Maldives drinks and meal package (all-inclusive)

Food and beverage served under this package is for personal consumption only. Beverages will be served by the glass and one at a time, while at the resorts restaurants and bars. Alcoholic drinks will not be offered to guests under the age of 18. Management have the right not to serve or stop serving alcoholic drinks to inebriated guests. There are no refunds or substitutions and no benefits can be transferred to another person. Guests on the all-inclusive package are required to sign the bills raised at outlets to acknowledge the consumption. However, guests will not be charged for any item that falls under the all-inclusive package. The all-inclusive package is available for the entire duration of the stay and starts from your immediate arrival to the resort and ends 12pm on the departure day. Kindly note that any charges that are not part of the all-inclusive package will need to be paid direct to the resort prior to departure.

All-inclusive meals will be served at the main restaurant only, during the following times:

- **Breakfast:** 7.30am to 9.30am
- **Lunch:** 12.30pm to 2.30pm
- **Dinner:** 7.30pm to 9.30pm

Snacks will be served at the cocktail bar during the following times:

- Tea, coffee, ice tea, cordials and water: 10am to 12am
- Snacks: 10.30am to 11.30am
- Tea and cakes: 4.30pm to 6pm
- Midnight snack: 11pm to 12am

All-inclusive drinks will be available as follows:

- Whiskey, brandy, gin, vodka, rum, draft beer (served by the glass)
- House wine, red and white (served by the glass only during lunch and dinner)
- Selected cocktails including all spirits
- Soft drinks: Coke, Diet Coke, Fanta, Sprite, bitter lemon, soda water
- Tonic water (served by the glass)
- Tea and coffee
- Mineral water (served by the glass)
- Cordials (served by the glass)

Climate and average temperature

Sri Lanka:

Sri Lanka is a year round destination with two monsoon seasons so there is a lot of confusion around when is the best time to visit. However, there will rarely be weather so dramatic that it will stand in the way of a brilliant holiday with plenty of warm weather and sunshine. The temperature is constant at around 27°C on the coast.

Maldives:

March is the hottest month in Maldives with an average temperature of 29°C and the coldest is January at 27°C with the most daily sunshine hours in February. The best month to swim in the sea is in April when the average sea temperature is 30°C,



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however water temperatures are still around an average 29°C during June and July.

Tour guide vs tour leader

Tour guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour. They do not travel with the group.

Tour leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

Flights

Seat selection and frequent flyer points:

At the NRMA we do not arrange seat selection. It is important to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and or arrive at the airport earlier to

arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Coach tour

Meals:

Daily breakfast is included in the tour. For all other meals, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify the NRMA of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements, however cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.

Fitness level required/mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: A basic level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Gratuities/tipping:

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip for the tour leader and driver in Sri Lanka is 1000 rupees (approx. \$9 AUD) per person per day, which will be collected whilst on tour. Tipping is optional in the Maldives and at your discretion.



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Visas

Sri Lanka:

A tourist visa for Sri Lanka is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian passport. You will be able to start your visa application process once you receive your final travel documentation, approximately 3 weeks prior to departure.

Please start arranging your visa as soon as you receive your documentation to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.

Maldives:

A tourist visa for the Maldives is granted upon arrival if travelling for up to 30 days on an Australian passport. All information regarding this visa will be in your travel documentation that is sent out approximately 3 weeks prior to departure.

Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or a visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.

Schedule of fees

Please note: Due to limited availability, passenger name and date changes are strictly prohibited for this offer. This overrides the Schedule of Fees in our standard Terms & Conditions. No refunds will be issued once offer has been purchased.