

KATHMANDU ● CHITWAN ● DELHI ● GALLE

### The Offer

Experience the exotic wonders of three iconic Asian destinations like never before on this 21-day small group tour through India, Nepal and Sri Lanka. Adventure seekers will love exploring the magnificent mountainous landscapes, iconic historical landmarks, sacred temples and incredible wildlife that make these countries truly unique.

Your adventure begins in Kathmandu, Nepal, where you'll enjoy a full-day sightseeing tour of Dubar Square, Swayambhunath Stupa, Boudhanath Stupa and more. While in Nepal, you'll journey to Chitwan National Park, watch the sunrise over the Himalayan range in Nagarkot and marvel at the snow-fed mountains from Dhulikhel. Catch a flight to Delhi, India, where you'll take part in a fascinating city tour to discover the history of iconic landmarks, including Raj Ghat, Red Fort and Jama Masjid. Head to the pink city of Jaipur, India, to immerse yourself in this bustling city's vibrant collision of colour and energy before visiting the Amber Fort, City Palace and more. Experience the cultural melting pot of Agra, India, as you marvel at the Taj Mahal, Chand Baori Step Well and Agra Fort (Red Fort), which mixes Persian, European and Indian art.

Jet over to Negombo (Colombo), Sri Lanka, where the beauty, culture and picturesque landscapes enchant you. While in Sri Lanka, you can admire the intricate cave paintings at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Dambulla Rock Cave Temple, take a tour of a local tea plantation to learn about the production process in Nuwara Eliya and witness hundreds of wild elephants at the Udawalawe Transit Home. While exploring charming hilltop villages and centuries-old temples, you'll be awed by the famous Galle Fort, an incredible fusion of Dutch and Sri Lankan culture and architecture.

Create unforgettable memories with return international full-service flights, two one-way international flights from Nepal and India, 19 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation, 20 delicious meals and more.

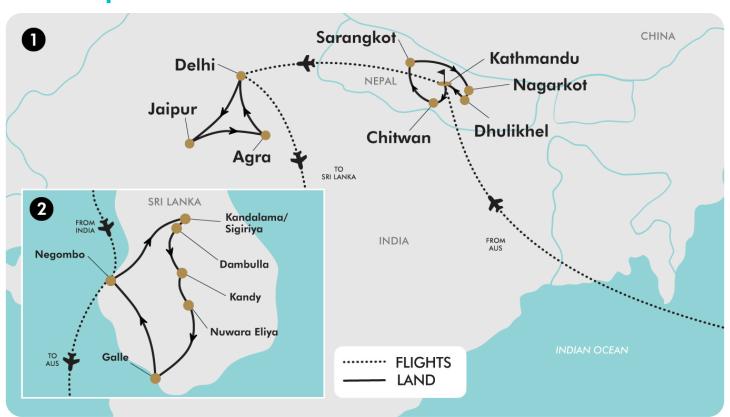
Want more? Add extra days to your itinerary with Arrive Early in Kathmandu, Nepal and Stay Behind in Negombo, Sri Lanka packages.

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## The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Kathmandu, Nepal Today you'll depart for Kathmandu, Nepal. On arrival, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel.

#### Please note:

- Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on day 0. Affected customers will be required to be at the airport the day before.
- Flight times will be indicated on your final documents 4 6 weeks prior to departure.

Overnight: Ramada Encore by Wyndham Kathmandu Thamel, or similar, Kathmandu Meals included: In-Flight

#### Day 2 Kathmandu Full-Day Sightseeing Tour

After breakfast, enjoy a city tour of Kathmandu where you'll visit Durbar Square which is a complex of palaces, courtyards and temples that were built between the 12th and 18th centuries and used to be the seat of the ancient Malla kings of Kathmandu. While you're at the UNESCO World Heritage Sit, you'll also find the intriguing 17th-century stone inscription set into the wall of the palace with writings in 15 different languages. Durbar Square is the social, religious and urban focal point of the city so inside the palace building, you'll also find museums and a temple of the Living Goddess, Kumari.

Next, you'll visit the Swayambhunath Stupa which watches over the valley from the top of a hillock on its Western side, the stupa is one of the holiest Buddhist sites in Nepal and its establishment is linked to the creation of the Kathmandu Valley out of a primordial lake. Swayambhu is also known as Sengu and is listed as a World Heritage Site. Afterwards visit Boudhanath Stupa, which lies about 6 kilometres to the East of downtown Kathmandu and is the largest stupa in the valley, looming at 36 metres high with a fascinating stupa design.

Finish the day back at your hotel for an enjoyable evening at leisure.

Overnight: Ramada Encore by Wyndham Kathmandu Thamel, or similar, Kathmandu

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 3 Kathmandu - Chitwan

After breakfast, you'll depart for the 170 kilometre journey to Chitwan National Park where, upon arrival, you'll check in to the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Chitwan National Park has long been one of the country's treasures of natural wonders. The park is situated in south central Nepal, covering 932 sq. km. in the subtropical lowlands of the inner TERAI. The area comprises the Tikauli forest- from Rapti river to the foothills of the Mahabharat-extending over an area of 175 sq. km. was declared Mrigakunja in 1959. In 1963, the area south of Rapti River was demarcated as a rhinoceros sanctuary. The area was gazetted as the country's first National Park in 1973

Enjoy a Tharu Culture Show this evening.

Overnight: Hotel Landmark Forest Resort or similar, Chitwan Meals included: Breakfast

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#### Day 4 Chitwan

After breakfast, today is the day for Jungle Activities, a jungle safari in the morning, and Bird watching. You will discover why the National Park holds an important place in preserving the wildlife that is rapidly becoming extinct from this planet. You're almost sure to spot one horn rhino, egrets, woodpeckers, and deer in their natural habitat. The park is also home to tigers, leopards, sloth bears, wild bison, genetic dolphins, 500 birds, butterflies, as well as the near-extinct Gharials crocodiles.

The afternoon is free for your independent activities that the area has to offer.

Overnight: Hotel Landmark Forest Resort or similar, Chitwan Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 5 Chitwan - Nagarkot

After breakfast, you'll depart on the journey to Nagarkot (approximately 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours). Today is a big day of travel, however, you will get to marvel at the beautiful countryside along the way.

Nagarkot is located at an altitude of 2,175m. It thrills visitors with its unobstructed mountain panorama, which extends from Annapurna in the west to Everest in the east. Late this afternoon enjoy a guided nature walk, exploring some of the village's most beautiful trails. When weather conditions are right, the views of mountain villages and terraced farmlands across the valley is a stunning sight.

Overnight: The Fort Resort, or similar, Nagarkot Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 6 Nagarkot - Dhulikhel - Kathmandu

Early this morning, enjoy watching the sun rise over the majestic Himalayan range which stretches from Dhaulagiri in the West all the way past Everest to Kanchenjunga in the East. After breakfast, you'll depart to Dhulikhel which offers the best views of the north-eastern Himalayas. Dhulikhel is situated at the foothills of the Panchkhal Valley so the snow-fed mountains seen from Dhulikhel provide an amazing panoramic view, when a blue haze covers the lower portion of the mountains, they seem to be floating in the air.

In the afternoon, you'll drive to Kathmandu where you can check into the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Ramada Encore by Wyndham Kathmandu Thamel, or similar, Kathmandu Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 7 Kathmandu, Nepal - Delhi, India

Following check-out this morning, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Delhi, India. Upon arrival in India, you will be met and transferred to your hotel where you can check in from 14:00 however, luggage storage will be available if you arrive before then.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Hotel, or similar, Delhi Meals included: Breakfast



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#### **Day 8 Delhi City Tour**

Delhi, the capital of India, is a major gateway city for international visitors so you'll find a fascinating metropolis offering an intriguing mix of ancient sites, modern wonders and Indian politics. After breakfast, enjoy a city tour of Old and New Delhi which will take you to the Raj Ghat where Mahatma Gandhi was cremated, the Red Fort which was made famous by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan, and Jama Masjid which is the largest mosque in India with three great gateways, four angle towers and two minarets constructed of alternating vertical strips of red sandstone and white marble. You'll also enjoy a rickshaw tour through Chandni Chowk, a colourful shopping bazaar in Old Delhi. You'll travel to Laxminarayan Temple, a site dedicated to Lakshmi who is the goddess of prosperity and good fortune before witnessing the India Gate which is a 42-metre war memorial. The tour continues with a visit to Rashtrapati Bhavan, the palace-like building that is home to the President of India, as well as the beautiful Lotus Temple, known as the Bahai Temple, where adherents of any faith can visit, pray or meditate at this dazzling architectural temple.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Hotel, or similar, Delhi Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 9 Delhi - Jaipur 'The Pink City'

After breakfast at the hotel, you'll travel approximately 265km to Jaipur which is the capital of Rajasthan. Jaipur is instantly recognisable for its pink-washed buildings, a colour associated with hospitality in Rajput culture. This beautiful city, along with Agra and Delhi, forms the Golden Triangle of India's tourist circuit. Jaipur is a city where royalty still lives in the grandeur of its palaces, where fighting for the honour of the clan has never been a need but a way of life, and where treating guests as gods has been a tradition from time immemorial. There is a timeless appeal to Jaipur's colourful bazaars, where you can shop for Rajasthani textiles and trinkets.

On arrival in Jaipur, you'll check into the hotel where you will also enjoy dinner this evening.

Overnight: KK Royal Hotel & Convention Centre, or similar, Jaipur

Meals included: Breakfast; Dinner

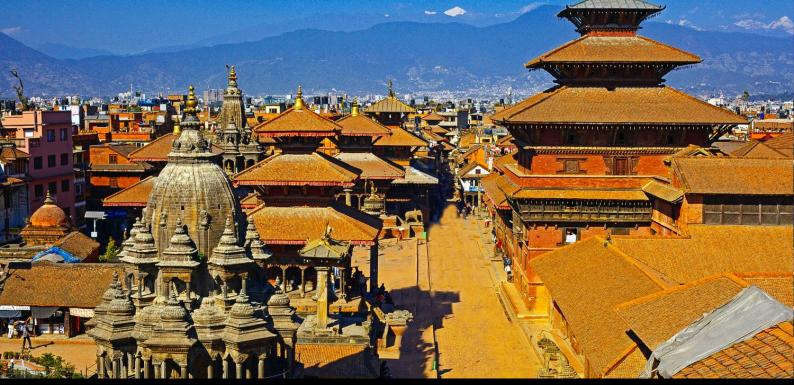
#### Day 10 Jaipur City Tour & Amber Fort

After breakfast, enjoy a full-day sightseeing tour of Jaipur which begins with a morning excursion to Amber Fort which was known as the old fort of the Kachwaha clan of Amber. The fort itself is a beautiful sight to behold as it's built with white marble and red sandstone with the Maota Lake in the foreground.

In the afternoon, take part in a city tour visiting the City Palace where the former royal residence is built in a blend of the Rajasthani and Mughal styles. Jantar Mantar is the largest of the five observatories built by Sawai Jai Singh while the Hawa Mahal (or the Palace of Winds) was constructed for the royal ladies to

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watch royal processions without being seen. Today you'll also enjoy an Indian costume-tying demonstration and visit Lakshmi Narayan Temple.

Overnight: KK Royal Hotel & Convention Centre, or similar, Jaipur

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 11 Jaipur - Chand Baori Step Well - Agra

After breakfast, you will depart for Agra on an approximately 245km travel day. On the way, you'll visit Chand Baori Step Well which is located opposite a temple known as Harshat Mata Temple, it's believed the Chand Baori Step Well has a religious connection which is the reason it was built in front of the temple.

When you arrive in Agra, you'll check into the hotel before enjoying a visit to the fascinating site of Agra Fort (Red Fort) which showcases a high level of ornamentation with the Kohinoor diamond reportedly part of the furnishings. Here you'll find the fort mixes Persian, European and Indian art which results in a unique Shahjahani style rich in form, expression and colour. Red Fort is one of the building complexes of India encapsulating a long period of history, arts and innovative architectural style, including its garden design which influenced later buildings and gardens in Delhi. In 2007, it was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site as part of the Red Fort Complex.

Agra is the quintessential Mughal City where the world marvels at the epitome of love, beauty and sacrifice, otherwise known as the Taj Mahal, one of the Wonders of the World. It's so awe-inspiring that Agra has been immortalised as the City Of The Taj.

As visitors walk down the narrow bustling streets, they cannot help but wonder, if a man they see contentedly smoking a hookah, is a direct descendent of some bygone Mughal.

Overnight: Howard Plaza - The Fern, or similar, Agra Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 12 Agra - Taj Mahal - Delhi

Today you will have the option to rise early and visit the Taj Mahal just after sunrise (at approximately 06:00) and return to the hotel for breakfast (approximately 1350 rupees and only available for purchase on tour), or you can visit just after breakfast at 09:00 (included in the package). The world-famous Taj Mahal is where you will see the undeniable beauty that incorporates and expands on design traditions of Persian and earlier Mughal architecture. While earlier Mughal buildings were primarily constructed of red sandstone, Shah Jahan promoted the use of white marble inlaid with semi-precious stones. The Taj Mahal was commissioned by Shah Jahan in 1631, to be built in memory of his wife Mumtaz Mahal, construction of the Taj Mahal began in 1632 and the principal mausoleum was completed in 1643 with the surrounding buildings and garden finished about five years later.

Early in the afternoon, you'll check out of the hotel and travel approximately 210km back to Delhi where, upon arrival, you'll check into the hotel.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Hotel, or similar, Delhi

Meals included: Breakfast





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#### Day 13 Delhi, India - Negombo (Colombo), Sri Lanka

Today you'll depart for Negombo (Colombo), Sri Lanka where, upon arrival, you will be met by a tour representative and transferred to your hotel in the nearby beach town of Negombo.

Overnight: Earls Regent Hotel, or similar, Negombo Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 14 Negombo - Sigiriya - Dambulla

Upon arrival in Sigiriya, you'll check into your hotel before visiting the Sigiriya Rock Fortress in the afternoon. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Sigiriya is the fifth-century rock citadel of King Kasyapa. To comprehend the splendour that once dominated this rock fortress, step through the gigantic 'Lion Paws' that are set overlooking the symmetrical royal gardens. Surrounded by ramparts and moats, the Lion Rock is coated by frescoes that relate to Gupta-style paintings found in the Ajanta caves of India. Wander into the museum downstairs for an insight into how the citadel floated above citizens, and learn about the advanced ponds and irrigation that pumped water right onto its summit through an ingenious hydraulic system.

#### Please note:

- Don't forget to take a bottle of water and a face towel.
- Do not take pictures of the frescos, as it can be a punishable offence according to the rules of the archeological department.
- To climb Sigiriya Rock Fortress requires a moderate level of fitness as there are many stairs, there are several breaks in between which will allow for rest. If you are unable to climb the rock, there is the opportunity for a lovely stroll at the lower area with various ruins to explore and with the setting sun on the side of the rock making a beautiful picture to be seen through the trees.

Overnight: Tropical Life Resort & Spa Dambulla, or similar, Dambulla

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 15 Dambulla Free Day

Today enjoy the day at leisure, or join one or both of the following optional tours:

Optional Activity: Morning Polonnaruwa City Tour

Rising with the decline of Anuradhapura, the city of Polonnaruwa (which is the medieval capital and crown jewel of King Parakramabahu I) remains superior proof of ancient culture and heritage blended with religious beliefs. Walk among the scattered walls of this World Heritage Site that is dotted with stupas, resting Buddha statues, irrigation canals and fantastically carved Hindu sculptures. While you're here you can also observe the relic house of Watadage which boasts impressive stone carvings, look closely and you will notice a subtle Hindu influence to the architecture and statues found in Polonnaruwa. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

#### Optional Activity: Jeep safari in Minneriya National Park

If you're up for a serious rumble in the jungle, then a safari experience at Minneriya National Park is the place to go! Spread over 8800 hectares, it's a sanctuary for elephants and home to herds of deer and ample birdlife however, its spotlight remains between swaying trunks and flapping ears. Park your jeep on the bank of the reservoir and switch off its engine where you can marvel at herds of elephants as they roll onto the grass-covered banks and feed on tender shoots. This is the largest elephant

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gathering in the world (over 300 at a time) so it's an absolute must-do for wildlife enthusiasts. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Please note: If Minneriya National Park is flooded during the rainy season, you will visit Kaudulla or Eco National Parks as alternative options.

Overnight: Tropical Life Resort & Spa Dambulla, or similar, Dambulla

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 16 Dambulla - Kandy

After breakfast, travel to Dambulla and stop at the Dambulla Rock Cave Temple which has been treasured by many kings since the first century BC. An icon of Sri Lanka, Dambulla Rock Cave Temple features five magnificently constructed cave temples flanking the golden temple of Dambulla. While you're here you can observe the exquisite cave paintings along walls that shelter 150 statues of Lord Buddha as well as the gigantic Buddha statue glittering in gold, which today houses an important junction in the country's economic and cultural uplifting.

On completion of the tour, travel to the hill city of Kandy and commence a guided city tour. Last ruled by King Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe (before it was brought under British rule in 1815), the city is a World Heritage Site and is the last royal capital of Sri Lankan kings which crafts an array of culture, history and heritage in the minds of visitors across the globe. A stroll across this small lakeside town that's cradled among the misty hills will feature the Kandy City Centre which is bustling with the latest and world-class brands, a bazaar, an arts and crafts centre, a gem museum and more.

Fine-tune your evening by stepping to the beat of traditional music and drumming, amplified by a cultural show enhancing the rich and vibrant culture of the Wonder Of Asia.

Overnight: Radisson Hotel Kandy, or similar, Kandy Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 17 Kandy - Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast, you'll depart for Nuwara Eliya which is Sri Lanka's highest town and the heart of the country's most beautiful region. Known as the southern hill country, Nuwara Eliya sits beneath the towering Pidurutalagala mountain in a bowl of verdant, tea-covered hills. Although the region was once occupied by the Kandyan kingdom, the town itself is very much a British creation as it was established in the mid-19th century as a retreat by Sir Edward Barnes and touted as Sri Lanka's 'Little England' for the way this Victorian relic resembles a quaint English country village.

Upon arrival in the afternoon, take a tour of a local tea plantation and learn about the tea production process of the prestigious Ceylon Tea brand where you will observe a rich tradition kept alive. As you observe the hissing and swishing of machines, inhaling the heavenly scent arising from these facilities, make sure to end your tour in style over a perfectly blended cup of pure Ceylon tea. Afterwards, enjoy some time to explore the plantation at leisure before continuing onwards to enjoy a sightseeing tour of Nuwara Eliya before finishing the day at your hotel where you can check in and enjoy an evening at leisure.

Overnight: Galway Heights Hotel, or similar, Nuwara Eliya Meals included: Breakfast

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### Day 18 Nuwara Eliya - Galle (via Udawalawe Transit Home)

After breakfast leave for Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home (also known as Udawalawe Elephant Orphanage), a rehabilitation centre for orphaned elephant calves. The primary purpose of the Elephant Transit Home is to rehabilitate and release isolated baby elephants into the wild. The Ministry of Wildlife Conservation took an essential step in the welfare and protection of orphan elephants in 1995 and as a result, Elephant Transit Home was established at the Udawalawe National Park. There are normally 40-60 orphaned elephants and visitors can watch them being fed from the safety of a viewing platform at one of the four daily feeding sessions held every three hours from 09:00 to 18:00. You'll notice the elephants are never chained so they are free to roam around and play as they wish which is why human contact is kept to a minimum in order to maximise their chance of survival when they are returned to the wild.

Afterwards, continue to the Galle area on the southern coast of Sri Lanka where you will enjoy a tour of the fort area on arrival. The tour will begin at the UNESCO World Heritage Site Galle Fort which is the largest intact Dutch fort in Asia and one of the best-preserved examples of 17th-century colonial fortifications in the world. Once your tour has concluded, you will be transferred to your hotel accommodation.

Overnight: The Beach Cabanas Retreat & Spa, or similar, Galle Area

Meals included: Breakfast

#### Day 19 Galle Free Day

Today is free at leisure to explore the Galle and Koggala area.

Overnight: The Beach Cabanas Retreat & Spa, or similar, Galle Area

Meals included: Breakfast

# Day 20 Galle, Sri Lanka - Australia or New Zealand (via Negombo)

Today check out of the hotel in Galle and travel back to Negombo on an approximately 160km travel day for your return flight home. If your flight does not depart until late evening, dinner and access to common areas including a pool at a hotel in nearby Negombo will be provided so you may relax before transferring to the airport for your departure flight home.

Please note: Some travellers may be required to depart shortly after midnight (technically Day 21). Affected customers will still arrive home on Day 21.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 21 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)





### **Tour Inclusions**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Explore Kathmandu, Chitwan, Nagarkot and more

Visit the sacred Swayambhunath Temple in Kathmandu, Nepal

Explore colourful Durbar Square in Kathmandu, Nepal

Enjoy a guided nature walk exploring the trails of Nagarkot, Nepal

Marvel at the giant snow fed mountains from Dhulikhel in the foothills of the Panchkhal Valley

Tour the famed Indian Golden Triangle of Delhi, Jaipur and Agra

Witness the awe-inspiring Taj Mahal and Agra Fort

See the Red Fort, Raj Ghat and Jama Masjid Mosque

Visit the Royal Amber Fort, Jantar Mantar, City Palace and more

See Hawa Mahal, also known as the Palace of Winds

Visit Chand Baori, one of the world's deepest step wells

Discover the highlights of exotic Sri Lanka

Travel to the home of the ancient rock fortress in Sigiriya, Sri Lanka

Discover the magnificent Dambulla Rock Cave Temple, Sri Lanka

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of the Dutch colonial city of Galle, Sri Lanka

Visit Udawalawe Transit Home, a sanctuary for rehabilitated wild elephants

Take in the hillside tea plantations of Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka

#### **FLIGHTS**

Return international flights (economy class), departure city surcharges may apply

One-way international flight from Kathmandu, Nepal, to Delhi, India

One-way international flight from Delhi, India, to Negombo, Sri Lanka

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

6 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation in Nepal

6 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation in India

7 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation in Sri Lanka

#### DINING

Enjoy 20 meals including daily breakfast

### **TOUR ESSENTIALS**

English-speaking local guides

Sightseeing and monument entry fees as per itinerary

Airlines taxes and surcharges

#### **TRANSPORT**

Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles

All airport transfers

#### **UPGRADES**

Arrive Early: Arrive up to 60 days before your tour starts (does not include hotel accommodation, meals or transfers)

Stay Behind: Return up to 60 days after your tour concludes (does not include hotel accommodation, meals or transfers)

Stopover Packages: Break up the long-haul flight with a stopover at a fantastic location (see checkout for details)

Optional Tours: Optional experiences and tours are available to add to your itinerary (see checkout for details)

Flight Upgrades: Upgrade to Business Class (see checkout for details)

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#### **Booking Information**

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form 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 are bound by the <u>General Terms and</u>
<u>Conditions</u> and the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

#### **Our Policies**

#### **Cancellation & Refund Policy**

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

we act as your booking agent: TripADeal
is a booking services provider, and
curates the Travel Offers available on our
website. We act as your booking agent,
and we receive payment for the Booking
Services as part of the booking price,
however, we do not provide any of the

Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- each booking is unique: our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible: once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel
   Offer carefully before placing your order.
- Travel Offers are a package: our Travel
   Offers have been curated into package
   offerings and must be used as a package
   - individual components cannot be used
   independently of the full package
   offering.
- our Travel Offers are generally nonrefundable: in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click here.

### **General Terms & Conditions**

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our <u>Terms & Conditions</u>, <u>Privacy Policy</u> and <u>Cancellation Policy</u>.

### **Offer Essentials**

This travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 25th November 2026.

This travel offer is priced per person based

on a twin share.

#### **Single Traveller Supplement**

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement of \$1,600 applies.

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

#### **Departure Dates & Surcharges**

See checkout for live dates and availability.

#### **Departure Cities**

Sydney\*, Melbourne, \*Brisbane, \*Adelaide, \*Perth or \*Auckland.

#### **Departure City Surcharges**

• Sydney: \$50 per person.

• Perth: \$50 per person.

• Brisbane: \$250 per person.

Adelaide: \$550 per person.Auckland: \$850 per person.

#### **Flights**

#### International Full-Service Airline(s)

• Cabin Class: Economy Class

#### Internal Airline(s) Used

Cabin Class: Economy ClassRoute: Kathmandu to Delhi

#### Internal Airline(s) Used

• Cabin Class: Economy Class

• Route: Delhi to Colombo

Please note: We cannot accommodate oneway flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Please note: From Sydney or Melbourne, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 20 hours, with up to 1 stop.

From Brisbane or Adelaide, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 27 hours, with up to 2 stops.

From Perth, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 17 hours, with up to 1 stop.

From Auckland, the flying journey to your

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destination may take up to 28 hours, with up to 2 stops. One of those stops may be within Australia.

This is provided as a guide only - actual flight duration can vary depending on availability and airline schedules. Your booking's final details will be confirmed to you via email once available.

#### **Missed Flights**

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you will miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

#### **Preferred Airline Surcharge**

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Singapore Airlines: \$300 per person

#### Please note:

- Preferred airlines are subject to availability.
   If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.
- On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.

#### **Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options**

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

#### **Arrive Early**

Kathmandu, Nepal - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

#### Stay Behind

Negombo, Sri Lanka - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

#### Please note:

#### • Exclusions:

This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

#### • Cancellations & Changes:

Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

#### • High Season:

A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

#### • + 60 days:

You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.

#### • Estimated Dates:

Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

- High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:
- 15 September 2025 12 October 2025
- 1 December 2025 31 January 2026
- 3 April 2026 20 April 2026
- 26 June 2026 17 July 2026
- 18 September 2026 9 October 2026
- 12 December 2026 26 January 2027

#### **Stopover Packages**

• Singapore

Includes:

• 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation

- Daily breakfast
- Return airport transfers For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

#### Please note:

- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.
- When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.
- When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:
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Singapore Grand Prix: September 2025 Christmas and New Years Eve: 22 December 2025 - 2 January 2026

### Flight Class Upgrades

Business or Premium Economy Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

#### Please note:

- Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).
- On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.

#### **Accommodation**

**Accommodation Used: 4-Star Properties** 

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#### (Self-Rated)

#### Nepal

- Kathmandu: Ramada Encore by Wyndham Kathmandu Thamel, or similar
- Chitwan: Hotel Landmark Forest Resort.
- Nagarkot: The Fort Resort, or similar

#### India

- Delhi: Radisson Blu Hotel, or similar
- Jaipur: KK Royal Hotel & Convention Centre, or similar
- Agra: Howard Plaza The Fern, or similar

#### Sri Lanka

- Negombo: Earls Regent Hotel, or similar
- Kandalama: Tropical Life Resort & Spa Dambulla, or similar
- Kandy: Radisson Hotel Kandy, or similar
- Nuwara Eliya: Galway Heights Hotel, or
- Galle Area: The Beach Cabanas Retreat & Spa. or similar

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

#### **Extra Nights**

Not available.

#### **Maximum Room Capacity**

2 people.

#### **Child Policy**

- No child discounts. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for Children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

#### **Triple Share**

Not available.

#### **Bedding Configuration**

Twin or Double bedding (subject to availability).

#### **General Information**

Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 20 per vehicle.

#### **Optional Tours/Activities**

- Day 15: Morning Polonnaruwa City Tour - \$95 per person.
- Day 15: Jeep safari in Minneriya National Park - \$130 per person.

#### Please note:

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

#### **Exclusions**

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal
- Recommended gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance

#### **Other Important Information**

#### 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 the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it 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 at 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 art, architecture, or historical knowledge. 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.

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

**CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES** 

#### Kathmandu, Nepal

#### Summer (April to June)

Summers in Kathmandu are warm and can be quite hot at times. Daytime temperatures typically range from 25°C to 30°C (77°F to 86°F), although they can occasionally reach higher values. Humidity levels are moderate during this season.

#### Monsoon (July to September)

Kathmandu experiences a monsoon season from July to September. During this period, the city receives the majority of its annual rainfall. Monsoon rains bring cooler temperatures, and the average rainfall during this time ranges from 200 to 375 millimetres (8 to 15 inches). Rainfall is often heavy and can result in occasional flooding in some parts of the city.

#### Autumn (October to November)

Autumn is considered one of the best seasons to visit Kathmandu. The weather during this period is generally mild and pleasant, with clear skies and comfortable

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temperatures. Daytime temperatures range from 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F), while nights can be cooler with temperatures dropping to around 10°C (50°F).

#### Winter (December to February)

Winters in Kathmandu are generally mild and dry, although temperatures can drop noticeably, especially during the night. Daytime temperatures range from 15°C to 20°C (59°F to 68°F), while nighttime temperatures can fall to around 5°C (41°F) or lower. Frost and fog are occasional occurrences during this season.

#### Spring (March to May)

Spring is another popular season to visit Kathmandu. The weather becomes warmer, and the city starts to come alive with blooming flowers and lush greenery. Daytime temperatures range from 20°C to 30°C (68°F to 86°F), making it a pleasant time to explore the city and surrounding areas.

#### Delhi, India

#### Summer (April to June)

Summers in Delhi are very hot, with temperatures often exceeding 40°C (104°F) in May and June. Daytime temperatures can range from 35°C to 45°C (95°F to 113°F), and heatwaves are not uncommon. Nights can be relatively cooler, with temperatures around 25°C to 30°C (77°F to 86°F). The city experiences low humidity during this season, which adds to the heat.

#### Monsoon (July to September)

Delhi receives the majority of its annual rainfall during the monsoon season. Monsoon rains typically arrive in July, bringing relief from the scorching heat. The city experiences frequent rain showers, sometimes accompanied by thunderstorms. Temperatures during this season range from 30°C to 35°C (86°F to 95°F) during the day, with cooler nights.

#### Autumn (October to November)

Autumn in Delhi is relatively mild and pleasant. Temperatures gradually start to cool down, with daytime temperatures ranging from 25°C to 30°C (77°F to 86°F). Nights become cooler, with temperatures dropping to around 15°C to 20°C (59°F to 68°F). The weather is generally dry, and the skies are clear during this time.

#### Winter (December to February)

Winters in Delhi are cool and can be chilly, particularly during December and January. Daytime temperatures range from 15°C to 20°C (59°F to 68°F), while nighttime temperatures can drop to around 5°C to 10°C (41°F to 50°F) or even lower. Foggy conditions are common during the winter months, especially in January, which can cause disruptions in transportation.

#### Spring (March)

Spring in Delhi is relatively short and transitions quickly from winter to summer. Temperatures start to rise, with daytime temperatures ranging from 25°C to 30°C (77°F to 86°F). Nights become milder, with temperatures ranging from 15°C to 20°C (59°F to 68°F). The weather is generally dry and pleasant during this season.

#### Dambulla, Sri Lanka

#### Dry Season (May to September)

During the dry season, Dambulla experiences relatively less rainfall and warmer temperatures. Daytime temperatures range from 30°C to 35°C (86°F to 95°F) and can occasionally reach higher values. Humidity levels are moderate during this season. Clear skies and ample sunshine are typical during the dry months.

# Inter-Monsoon Season (October and November)

During the inter-monsoon season,
Dambulla transitions from the dry season
to the monsoon season. Rainfall gradually
increases, and short rain showers and
thunderstorms become more frequent.
Temperatures remain warm, with daytime
temperatures ranging from 28°C to 32°C

(82°F to 90°F).

#### Monsoon Season (December to April)

Dambulla experiences its primary monsoon season from December to April. During this time, the region receives the majority of its annual rainfall. The monsoon rains bring cooler temperatures and occasional heavy downpours. Daytime temperatures range from 25°C to 30°C (77°F to 86°F), and nights are relatively cooler. Humidity levels are higher during this season.

#### **FLIGHTS**

#### **Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points**

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential 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.

#### **Passport Validity**

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 45 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

#### **COACH TOUR**

#### Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

#### Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the

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vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

#### **OTHER**

#### Mobility

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

#### **Fitness Level Required**

A leisurely level of fitness will be required. Leisurely is described as light walking, including up multiple stairs, and occasional hiking, may involve uneven surfaces. Able to travel unassisted and get on and off vehicles and small boats. Suitable for most fitness levels and mobility.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

#### **Yellow Fever**

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival. You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

#### **Gratuities/Tipping**

#### Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip for the tour leader and driver in India/Nepal is 300 rupees per person per day and in Sri Lanka is 2000 rupees per person per day, which will be collected whilst on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals

consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

#### Sightseeing

Please note: If the entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

#### Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our Terms and Conditions regarding shopping for further information.

#### **Visas**

#### India

A Tourist Visa for India is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian or New Zealand passport. You will be able to start your Visa application process once you receive your final travel documentation approximately 6 weeks prior to departure.

A tourist visa for Nepal is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian or New Zealand Passport. This can be arranged on arrival for \$30 USD, valid for 15 days. Visitors should arrive with USD currency and 2 passport-sized photos.

#### Sri Lanka

A Tourist Visa for Sri Lanka is a strict requirement if travelling on an Australian Passport. You will need a visa in the form of an Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) to enter Sri Lanka from 27 September 2024. Limited facilities to obtain an ETA are available at Colombo's Bandaranaike International Airport, however ETA's can be obtained prior to departure.

#### Important:

- India & Sri Lanka: Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.
- Please check with the nearest Sri Lankan embassy, consulate or immigration department for the current tourist visa requirements and any updates regarding the e-visa for Sri Lanka.

#### Please note:

- Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with their respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.
- It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements. including the validity of all required travel documents.
- It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.

#### **Travel Insurance**

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travelinsurance

**Schedule Of Fees** 



#### **Voluntary Changes**

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

 Changes - \$100.00AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/ other travel providers.

#### **Name Changes Due To Passenger Error**

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100.00AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/ other travel providers.

#### **Supplier Fees**

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the Qantas Tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/ accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.

