

The Sacred Loop

5 Nights / 6 Days

The 6-Day Sacred Loop is a cultural journey through Sri Lanka's sacred cities and ancient kingdoms. It moves from Kandy through Matale, Dambulla, and Anuradhapura, exploring historic temples and heritage sites. Along the way, you experience UNESCO-listed wonders and deeply spiritual landscapes. The journey ends in Colombo, where heritage meets modern city life.



Day 1: BIA → Kandy (105 km | 2.5 - 3 h)

Welcome to Sri Lanka!

Upon arrival at the Colombo International Airport, you will be met by a designated guide from Terra Ceylon. After the formalities at the airport, you will be escorted to your air-conditioned vehicle and then transfer to Kandy.

- **Afternoon:** Check into the hotel.
- **Evening:** Visit the **Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic** (*Sri Dalada Maligawa*).
- **Stay:** Kandy



Day 2: Kandy → Kandalama (75 km | 2.5 h)

- **Morning:** Drive to **Matale**. Visit a **Traditional Spice Garden**. Walk through the "Terra" to see how Ceylon Cinnamon is peeled and how cocoa, vanilla, and peppercorns grow in their natural habitat.
- **Afternoon:** Visit the **Aluvihara Rock Temple**, where the Buddhist Tripitaka was first written on palm leaves in the 1st Century BC.
- **Late Afternoon:** Continue to **Dambulla** and explore the **Golden Cave Temple**, a UNESCO site featuring 153 Buddha statues inside five massive rock caves.
- **Stay:** Dambulla/Kandalama



Day 3: Kandalama → Anuradhapura (65 km | 1.5 - 2 h)

- **Morning:** A smooth drive to the ancient capital of **Anuradhapura**.
- **Afternoon:** Exploration of the **Atamasthana** (The 8 Sacred Sites). Focus on the **Jaya Sri Maha Bodhi**—a sapling of the original tree under which the Buddha attained Enlightenment.
- **Highlight:** Stand before the **Ruwanweliseya**, a massive white stupa that is a masterpiece of ancient engineering and devotion.
- **Stay:** Anuradhapura



Day 4: Peaks of Peace (15 km | 30 m)

- **Morning:** Visit **Mihintale**, the mountain peak where Buddhism was first introduced to Sri Lanka. The climb offers panoramic views of the "Cultural Triangle."
- **Afternoon:** Return to the city for a "Silent Walk" through the **Western Monasteries**, ruins set in deep forest, far from the main tourist crowds.
- **Evening:** Sunset meditation by the **Basawakkulama Wewa** (ancient reservoir), watching the stupas reflect in the water.
- **Stay:** Anuradhapura.



Day 5: Anuradhapura → Colombo (200 km | 3.5 - 4 h)

- **Morning:** Scenic drive back toward the West Coast via the highway links.
- **Afternoon: The Colombo Shopping Trail**
 - Last-minute shopping at **Laksala** (State Craft Emporium), **One Galle Face Mall**, House of Fashion, etc.
- **Evening:** Visit the **Gangaramaya Temple** and its floating annex, **Seema Malaka**, on Beira Lake.
- **Stay:** Colombo



Day 6: Departure (30 km | 45 m)

- **Departure:** Drive via the **Katunayake Expressway** directly to the airport terminal, ensuring a relaxed and timely check-in- 03 Hours Before Departure of your Flight



Compliments

- Free 5.5 GB data SIM card
- Daily 500ml water bottles per person

Price Inclusions:

- Airport pick up & drop off
- Accommodation
- Transportation by A/C private vehicle with the services of a chauffeur guide
- Fuel & vehicle insurance
- Government taxes

Price Exclusions:

- Beverages, extra meals in the tour
- Entrance fees to other sightseeing places
- Water sport activity charges
- Early check-in and late check out
- Sri Lanka tourist visa
- Air fare
- Guide tips

Terms & Conditions

- Bookings are confirmed after 50% deposit or full payment. Balance payment to be made 14 days prior to arrival
- Prices may vary until confirmation
- Travelers are responsible for travel documents
- Itineraries may be adjusted due to operational needs
- Third-party services are provided by selected partners
- Terra Ceylon supports guests in case of service concerns

Cancellation & Refund Policy

- 30 days or more before arrival – 80% refund
- 15–29 days before arrival – 50% refund
- Less than 72 hours before arrival / No-show – No refund

Refunds are subject to non-recoverable costs from third-party providers.