

TRULY SRI LANKAN



Kandy

As you land in the tropical isle, be met and welcomed by the airport officials who will lead you to the silk route arrival lounge where you can savor a snack while your luggage is cleared for you. While you rest at the lounge you will be led through your holiday plan by a representative of Artravele who will introduce you to your travel host.

Embark on a Cinnamon Air flight which will give you a birds eye view of the changing sceneries and elevations as you make your way to the hill capital of **Kandy**. Watch your surrounding as you leave the low country and enter the hills of Ceylon, where you will be spending the majority of your stay.



Overnight: Coffee Bungalow, Kandy

Dance like a Kandyan

Wake up this morning to the smell of freshly made coffee and enjoy a scrumptious breakfast in the cool weather. Explore the Temple Trilogy of Kandy today where you will be given a blessing by a local Buddhist monk before you make your way to meet your guru.

Immerse yourself with a dance routine of the Kandyan people. A dance that has been passed down through the generations will be yours to learn and embrace.

Stop over for lunch before you continue your exploration of the triple temples in Kandy.



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Beat it

Wake up early this morning to make your way to the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic for the morning Pooja ceremony. Watch as they utilize different drums to make the perfect harmony for the ceremony.

Afterwards, make your way to your guru's home to learn the techniques of drumming. Different types of drums are used to bring out elements of different melodies and they are all at your fingertips to experience. A lunch at local's house is yours to savour as you take in the bliss of the local cuisine. Taste the various flavours of the Lanakan style of cooking as explosion of spices tingle your taste buds.



Overnight: Coffee Bungalow, Kandy

Hatton

Wake up today to your final morning in Kandy as you breathe in the cool air and fill your lungs the smell of fresh coffee one last time. Today you will learn the origins of and the story of Coffee in Sri Lanka. As brunch, you will be served the famous "High Coffee" offered by the coffee bungalow as you cozy yourself while over looking the breathtaking views ahead.

With your head full of information and your gut full of coffee make you way to the higher elevation as you feel the temperature drop and the chilly air wraps your soul. Spend the rest of the day at leisure at this beautiful hideaway.

Be welcomed by a personal note written to you by Malik Fernando himself, the brain behind these hideaways,

Under the guidance of your host, head into the tea fields to pluck tea leaves (60-90 minutes of plucking) and then take them in the factory to begin withering, learn the art of plucking the perfect leaf that contributes to optimum flavour.



Overnight: Ceylon Tea Trails, Hatton

Hot Cuppa

Wake up to an early breakfast to pack up with energy in preparation for your full day of activities, Make your way to the Dunkeld Tea Factory for a private tour of the factory with your host. Afterwards examine the tea leaves you plucked that have now withered and lead the next phase which is rolling and fermenting.

Make your way back to the bungalow for you lunch before going on a guided walk/bike ride through the tea plantation.with a naturalist.

Get ready for an exquisite meal to wrap up the day with a tea infused 5 course meal.



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Tea off

Wake up to your final day in Tea Trails and head to the Dunkeld Tea Factory and partake in the next phase of making your own tea – the "firing and sorting" process.

After a day of learning the process of making tea, relive the old days where tea planters would break for lunch during their field inspections at a scenic location. We've chosen one where the forest meets the tea fields with a breath taking view over Castlereagh Reservoir.

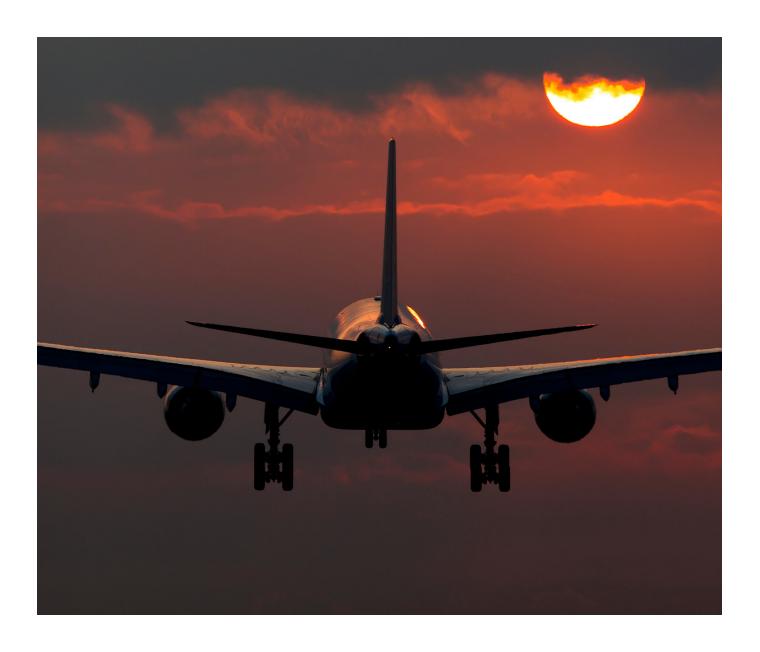
After lunch you go to a in depth analysis of how to taste tea with youe host be fore planting your very own tea bush at the Tea Trails. In the afternoon return to the tea factory for the sorting and packaging if the tea. the final step og producing Ceylon Tea. A scrumptious dinner to seal the perfect tea expedition and cork off the experience.



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Departure

This morning bid your goodbyes as you make your way to Colombo for your final night via a Cinnamon Air flight in time for your departure transfer from the Katunayake International Airport.



Details of Value Adds

Airport Officials - A dedicated representative of ArTravele who will be at the Airport 24/7.

Silk Route Arrival - The VIP arrival lounge at the Bandaranaike International Airport in Katunayake which provides a snack and access to the lounge area while your luggage is picked and brought to you.

Representative of ArTravele - A personnel from the ArTravele head office who curated your holiday plan.

Travel Host - A hand picked licensed English Speaking Chauffeur guide trained specially for ArTravele standards.

Cinnamon Air - A renowned sister company of ArTravele which operates domestic flights to various parts of the island.

Temple Trilogy of Kandy - Three temples of Kandy **Blessing by a local Buddhist monk** - Chanting of a Buddhist blessing for same journeys and the offering of a Pirith String by the monk.

Dance Routine - A dance routine involving Kandyan dancing which has been passed down by father to son will be taught. **Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic** - The home to the right tooth of Gautama Buddha. A iconic monument in Kandy with a pooja ceremony in the morning and evening which includes a drumming potion to it.

Techniques of Drumming - Learn the different beats which are used for different pooja ceremonies along with a few killer beats you can play on the many types of drums available in Sri Lanka.

Lunch at a Local's Home - Enjoy a home cooked meal of local cuisine at a locals house (Health and Safety check passed)

High Coffee - A variation of high tea offered with different by The Coffee Bungalow as a signature experience which includes different types of coffee along with snacks.

Malik Fernando - The son of Meril J. Fernando and the brain behind the brand Resplendent Ceylon

Tea Infused Dinner - A scrumptious 05 course meal with various tea infused in every course.