

20 DAY HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

INDIA NEPAL & SRI LANKA

\$3299

PER
PERSON
TWIN
SHARE

KATHMANDU • DELHI • JAIPUR • AGRA • GALLE

THE OFFER

Land of mountains, monuments, and mystics- South Asia is one of the world's most stunning cultural destinations. With so much to uncover, this 20 day small-group tour does all the work for you- weaving together the most fascinating elements of these three nations into one unforgettable odyssey.

The journey begins in Kathmandu in the shadow of the mighty Himalayas. Venture through the UNESCO listed Durbar Square and Bhaktapur. Enjoy guided walks in magical Nagarkot on the rim of Kathmandu Valley and make new friends in Swayambhunath- the 'Monkey Temple'- before heading to India. Experience the Golden Triangle of Delhi, Jaipur, and Agra. Stand humbled before the breathtaking Taj Mahal and witness the enduring beauty of the Red Fort, the Royal Amber Fort, and the Jama Masjid mosque- the largest in India. Be swept up by the romantic charm of the 'Pink City' of Jaipur. Enjoy the exciting energy of the Chandi Chowk Markets before continuing south to the tropical island paradise of Sri Lanka. Explore Colombo and be amazed by the world heritage Sigiriya rock fortress. Take in the rich history of Kandy- the last royal capital of Sri Lankan Kings- and sip on a cup of the finest premium tea in Nuwara Eliya. Unwind in the old Dutch colonial port city of Galle, next to turquoise waters and swaying palms, plus so much more.

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Day 1 Australia - Kathmandu, Nepal

Depart from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane or Perth for Nepal. Fly with airlines such as Singapore Airlines, Cathay Pacific and Thai Airways to name a few (subject to availability). Upon arrival be met by a tour representative and transferred to the hotel for check in.

Welcome to Kathmandu, the capital and largest metropolitan city of Nepal. A city where the ancient and modern worlds collide, it acts as the urban core of the Kathmandu Valley, which also contains two sister cities, namely Patan or Lalitpur, 5 kilometres to its southeast, and Bhaktapur, 14 kilometres to its east.

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on day 0. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents at least 4 - 6 weeks prior to departure.

Overnight: Kathmandu (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Kathmandu Temples & City Tour

After breakfast, enjoy a city tour of Kathmandu. Durbar Square, with its old temples and palaces, is the epitome of religious and cultural life in Nepal. Here, the Kings of Nepal are crowned and solemnised. Interesting things for visitors to see are Taleju Temple, gigantic figure of Kalbhairav (the god of destruction), Basantapur Durbar, and Temple of Kumari (Living Goddess). Later, travel to see Swayambhunath, better known as the 'Monkey Temple'. Standing majestically on a hillock, it is arguably one of the most glorious Buddhist stupas in the world. At a height of 77 metres, this site also commands an excellent view of the Kathmandu Valley.

Overnight: Kathmandu (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast;Dinner

Day 3 Kathmandu - Dhulikhel - Nagarkot

After breakfast, travel to Nagarkot (approx. 2.5 hour journey). En route visit Dhulikhel at the foothills of the Panchkhal Valley, which offers stunning views of the north-eastern Himalayas. Continue to Nagarkot and check in at the hotel. 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: Nagarkot (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Nagarkot - Bhaktapur (approx. 40km day)

Enjoy an early morning sunrise, then after breakfast travel to Bhaktapur to embark on a sightseeing tour of the ancient Bhaktapur Durbar Square. Known for its immense and tragic historical features, which include heritage monuments that still echo the memories of ancient kingdoms. Afterwards check into the hotel.

Overnight: Bhaktapur (Standard Or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Kathmandu, Nepal - Delhi, India - Agra

This morning, transfer to the airport for your flight to Delhi.

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Upon arrival in Delhi you will be greeted by a representative before departing to Agra. Check in to the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Agra (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Agra - Taj Mahal

After breakfast enjoy a city tour visiting the Taj Mahal, which was built by the Mughul Emperor Shahjahan in 1630 for his queen Mumtaz Mahal to enshrine her mortal remains. So overwhelming is the monument that Agra has been immortalised as the City of the Taj. The Agra Fort, also called the Red Fort, is another fascinating stop on the tour. Besides the historical monuments, one can also enjoy Agra's rich heritage of handicrafts in its markets. Also enjoy a tour of Gurudwara Guru Ka Tal (Sikh temple) in Agra and have the chance to join a community cook inside the temple complex, done for their pilgrims.

Overnight: Agra (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Agra - Jaipur

Early risers can take the opportunity to head to the Taj Mahal and experience the monument just after sunrise (not included).

After breakfast depart for Jaipur (approx. 6 hours). On arrival into the 'Pink City' of Jaipur, check-in to the hotel. The picturesque capital of Rajasthan, Jaipur is colour washed pink - the colour associated with hospitality in Rajput culture. This beautiful city, together with Agra and Delhi, forms what is known as the Golden Triangle of the Indian 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 one can shop for Rajasthan handlooms and trinkets. Beautifully laid out gardens and parks, attractive monuments and marvellous heritage hotels, once the residence of Maharajas are worth admiration.

Overnight: Jaipur (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast;Dinner

Day 8 Jaipur City Tour & Royal Amber Fort

Enjoy a full day city sightseeing tour of Jaipur. This morning visit the Royal Amber Fort, a remarkable building constructed of white marble and red sandstone. The fort is a beautiful sight to behold but as one looks on the fort, with its clear reflection on Maota Lake in the front, one cannot help but wonder if it is a dream or a beautiful illusion. The tour continues to City Palace, the former royal residence, which 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; and Hawa Mahal the Palace of Winds - created for the royal ladies to watch the royal processions without being seen.

Overnight: Jaipur (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Jaipur Free Day

Today take the day to enjoy this heritage city at leisure or choose from two optional activities.



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Optional Activity: Pushkar Full Day Tour - \$50 per person

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Pushkar, one of the most frequently visited tourist destinations of Rajasthan. Characterised by a picturesque valley, mountainous regions, uncommon scenic spots, and several pilgrimage sites of importance, Pushkar is known all over. It also makes one of the revered Hindu pilgrimage sites of India and houses the only temple dedicated to Lord Brahma in the world. Pushkar is a large accumulation of attractions, besides some picturesque sites, there are more than 400 temples here that attract tourists towards this place every year. Some of the holy places that you will visit while in Pushkar are the Brahma Temple, Gau Ghat, Nag Hill, Markandeya Rishi Ashram, Pap Mochini Temple, Agastya Muni Ashram and Gaya Kund. Besides, the picturesque lake, the Savitri Temple, and the Pushkar Bazaar are also worth a visit.

Optional Activity: Culinary Delight Tour - \$30 per person

Learn the secrets of Indian cuisine and try your hand at cooking local dishes, with lunch included.

Please Note: Only one of the above optional activities may be purchased as they occur at the same time.

Overnight: Jaipur (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Jaipur - Delhi

After breakfast depart for Delhi (approx.6 hours). Upon arrival check-in to the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Delhi (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 Delhi City Tour

After breakfast, begin a city tour of Old and New Delhi visiting Raj Ghat (where Mahatma Gandhi was cremated); Red Fort (made famous by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan); and Jama Masjid (the largest mosque in India) which has three great gateways, four angle towers and two minarets constructed of alternating vertical strips of red sandstone and white marble.

The colourful Chandni Chowk shopping bazaar in the main street of Old Delhi is a wonderful place to soak up the atmosphere of Delhi. Next is Laxminarayan Temple, a site dedicated to Lakshmi, the goddess of prosperity and good fortune. India Gate is a 42-metre-high stone of triumph and is a war memorial. The tour continues with a visit to Rashtrapati Bhawan, the palace-like building home to the President of India.

Afterwards visit Qutub Minaret, a UNESCO World Heritage site, as well as the beautiful Lotus Temple, also known as the Bahai Temple. Adherents of any faith can visit, pray or meditate at the temple. There is also an opportunity to enjoy a traditional rickshaw ride.

Overnight: Delhi (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 12 Delhi - Colombo, Sri Lanka - Negombo

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your short flight to Colombo, Sri Lanka! On arrival you will be met and assisted by a tour representative, who will direct you to your very own National Guide, who will be guiding the group throughout the tour. Just south of India, Sri Lanka is a tropical paradise surrounded by the warm waters of the Indian Ocean. With miles of unspoilt palm-fringed beaches, undulating hinterland and intriguing cities, there are a wealth of attractions to be explored.

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Overnight: Negombo (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 13 Negombo - Kandalama - Sigiriya - 140km (approx. 4 hours)

Following breakfast, a welcome meeting will be held by the tour guide. Afterwards, set off for Kandalama. Upon arrival check in to the hotel accommodation. The luxurious Heritance Kandalama hotel stands as one of the best Sri Lankan resorts (premium option only) and is set amidst lush greenery, covered by the thick and dense forest.

Optional Tour: Sigiriya Rock Fortress - \$60 AUD per person

In the afternoon visit Sigiriya Rock Fortress. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Sigiriya is the 5th century rock citadel of King Kasyapa. Step through the gigantic 'Lion Paws', set overlooking the symmetrical royal gardens, to comprehend the splendour that once dominated this rock fortress. Surrounded by ramparts and moats, the Lion Rock is coated by frescoes that relate to Gupta style paintings found in Ajanta caves of India. Wander into the museum downstairs for 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.

Overnight: Kandalama/Sigiriya (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 14 Kandalama

After breakfast, you will have the chance to spend the day at your own leisure or you can choose to join the optional tour below (not included).

Optional Tour: Half Day Jeep safari in Minneriya National Park - \$100 AUD per person

Experience an afternoon safari at Minneriya National Park. If you're up for a serious rumble in the jungle, then Minneriya is the place to go! Spread over 8800 hectares, it is a sanctuary for elephants and a home to herds of deer and ample birdlife, but its spotlight remains between swaying trunks and flapping ears. Park your jeep on the bank of the reservoir and switch off its engine. Have the opportunity to see herds of elephants - one by one - roll on to the grass-covered banks, to feed on tender shoots. In fact, this is the largest elephant gathering in the world (over 300 at a time) - it is an absolute must-visit for wildlife enthusiasts.

Overnight: Kandalama/Sigiriya (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Kandalama - Dambulla - Kandy City Tour - 90km (approx. 3 hours)

After breakfast, leave for Dambulla. Visit Dambulla Rock Cave Temple, which has been treasured by many kings since the 1st century B.C. An icon of Sri Lanka, Dambulla Rock Temple houses some of the most unique drawings in the magnificently constructed 5 cave temples flanking the golden temple of Dambulla. Observe the exquisite cave paintings along walls that shelter 150 statues of Lord Buddha. As you enter the retreat, look straight up to the gigantic Buddha statue glittering in gold over a land, which today houses an important junction in the country's economic and cultural uplifting. On completion of the tour you will leave for Kandy. En-route visit a Spice Garden in Matale to see how spices are grown in Sri Lanka.

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On arrival in Kandy, embark on a guided city tour. Last ruled by King Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe, before it was brought under the British rule in 1815, Kandy - the World Heritage Site and the last royal capital of Sri Lankan kings - crafts an array of culture, history and heritage in the minds of visitors across the globe. Experience an ancient Kandyan legacy engraved around its crown jewel, the temple of the sacred tooth relic of Lord Buddha. A stroll across this lakeside town cradled among the misty hills will feature the Kandy City Centre, bundled with the latest and world class brands, bazaar, an arts and crafts centre, as well as a gem museum and lapidary.

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, Sri Lanka. Afterwards, be transferred to your hotel accommodation for check-in.

Overnight: Kandy (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Kandy - Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast depart for Nuwara Eliya. In the afternoon commence a sightseeing tour of Nuwara Eliya. Sri Lanka, tea and tourism are words which cannot be separated. Take a tour to the cold & misty hills that take pride of an ultimate tea tour, covering lush green blankets of tea plantations. Or just step into a tea factory processing the prestigious brand of Ceylon Tea, to observe a rich tradition kept alive up to date. As you observe the hissing and swishing of machines, inhaling the heavenly scent arising from these facilities, make sure to end your day in style over a perfectly blended cup of pure Ceylon Tea.

Overnight: Nuwara Eliya (Standard or Premium option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 17 Nuwara Eliya - Galle City Tour - 230km (approx. 4 - 5 hours)

Following breakfast, leave for Galle. On arrival commence a city tour. Galle, the epic southern capital, is the intersection where classic Dutch architecture meets a tropical setting creating a vivid atmosphere in beauty. Walk the Dutch-influenced streets, listening to the creak of wooden saloon doors, and observe how European architecture mingles with South Asian traditions.

A standout attraction is Galle Fort, also known as the Dutch Fort. Its original ramparts and bastions showcase evidence of a heritage preserved for more than three and a half centuries. Walk clockwise within the fort to observe the 'old gate' carrying the British coat of arms. Flanking the old gate is the Zwart bastion, the oldest of all with the lighthouse standing 18 feet in its glory next to the Point Utrecht Bastion. Venture into the Dutch Hospital Shopping Complex to be mesmerised by an array of souvenir selections. Upon completion of the tour be transferred to the hotel accommodation for check-in.

Overnight: Galle/Koggala (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 18 Galle - Day at Leisure

After breakfast, enjoy the day to spend at leisure on your own, here you can either take time to relax and unwind on the beach or at the resort. Feeling adventurous? Explore the Fort of Galle in your own time.

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Overnight: Galle/Koggala (Standard or Premium Hotel Option)

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 19 Galle, Sri Lanka - Australia

Today at the appropriate time you will be transferred to the airport for the return flight back to Australia.

Please note: some flights may depart after midnight (technically day 20).

Meals included: Breakfast;In-Flight

Day 20 Arrive in Australia

Please note: Some flights may arrive +1 day later due to flight scheduling. Where required the airline will provide hotel accommodation for transit.

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

Discover three amazing countries - India, Nepal and Sri Lanka
Explore Kathmandu, Delhi, Jaipur, Agra, Kandy, Colombo and Galle

Nepal

Enjoy a day touring Kathmandu's incredible sites
Marvel at views from Swayambhunath 'Monkey Temple'
Wander beautiful UNESCO listed Patan Durbar Square
Stay in magical Nagarkot on the edge of the 'Kathmandu Valley'
Enjoy a guided nature walk in Nagarkot
Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site Bhaktapur

India

Discover the highlights of India's Golden Triangle
See the breathtaking Taj Mahal
Visit Gurudwara Guru Ka Tal, a historical Sikh palace
Take a full day tour of New and Old Delhi
See Red Fort, Raj Ghat and Jama Masjid Mosque
Visit the beautiful Lotus Temple in New Delhi
Explore the colourful Chandni Chowk Market
Discover Jaipur 'The Pink City' Rajasthan's picturesque capital city
Visit the magnificent Royal Amber Fort and Palace
Enjoy a day at leisure in Jaipur

Sri Lanka

Travel to Sigiriya, home of the ancient rock fortress
Enjoy a day at leisure in the Kandalama/Sigiriya area
Discover magnificent Dambulla Rock Cave Temple
Explore the hillside tea plantations of Nuwara Eliya
Delve into Sri Lanka's rich tea heritage at a Ceylon tea factory

Discover the beauty of Kandy on a city tour

Visit the famous Temple of the Tooth Relic

Enjoy free time and a guided tour in the Dutch colonial city of Galle

Visit Galle Fort, also known as the 'Dutch Fort'

FLIGHTS

Return international flights (economy class) ex SYD/MEL/BNE/PER

1 way international flight: Kathmandu to Delhi

1 way international flight: Delhi to Colombo

ACCOMMODATION

18 nights accommodation (Standard Or Premium Hotel Option)

DINING

Enjoy 20 meals (Standard Option)

Enjoy 38 meals (Premium Option)

TOUR ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

Sightseeing and monument entry fees as per inclusions

TRANSPORT

Transportation by private A/C Vehicles

TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers

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**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information 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 are 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 your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).

OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 1st December 2020.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement applies:

Standard Package: \$800

Premium Package: \$1150

Departure Dates (2020)

Please see TripADeal website for current departure dates

Surcharges

Please note:

- dates/months with a * incur a land high season surcharge of \$100 per person.

- dates/months with a ^ incur a shoulder season surcharge of \$150 per person.

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane or Perth

FLIGHTS

Full Service Airline(s) Used

Singapore Airlines, Malaysia Airlines, China Southern Airlines, Thai Airways, Vietnam Airlines, Cathay Pacific, Qantas Airways, Emirates, Virgin Australia, Malindo Air, Korean Airlines, Japan Airlines, China Airlines, Bangkok Airways, Air India, Sri Lankan Airlines and codeshare partners (subject to availability)

Flights between Kathmandu - Delhi - Colombo: Vistara, Jet Airways, Air India or Indigo Airline (subject to availability).

Please note:

- The maximum baggage allowance is 20kgs

-One way flights can not 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 in Kathmandu, Nepal

\$200 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

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

- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.

- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

- Not permitted on the following dates:

28th March 2020 - 27th April 2020

20th June 2020 - 19th July 2020

17th September 2020 - 11th October 2020

11th November - 17th November 2020

Stay behind in Negombo, Sri Lanka

\$200 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

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Stopover Packages

Not Available

Flight Class Upgrades

- Premium Economy: Not Available

- Business Class (Australia - Kathmandu & Negombo - Australia Only): Buy Now for \$4399 per person

Please note:

- All Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades are subject to availability (if we are not able to fulfill your business class request the upgrade cost will be refunded).

- On any upgrade purchase, short haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed in a Premium or Business cabin; subject to aircraft configuration.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation Used



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Standard Package

3-4 Star (self-rated)

- Kathmandu: Grand Hotel, Royal Singi or similar
- Nagarkot: Chautari Paradise Inn or similar
- Delhi: SK Premium Park or similar
- Agra: Hotel Royal Residency or similar
- Jaipur: Hotel Park Ocean or similar
- Negombo: Goldie Sands Hotel or similar
- Kandalama/Sigiriya: Hotel Sigiriya or similar
- Nuwara Eliya: Galway Heights or similar
- Kandy: Hotel Topaz or similar
- Galle/Koggala: Sunset Fairway or similar

Premium package

4-5 Star (self-rated)

- Kathmandu: Shangri-La Hotel & Resort or similar
- Nagarkot: Hotel Himalayan Villa or similar
- Delhi: Raddison Blu or similar
- Agra: Hotel Clarks Shiraz or similar
- Jaipur: Sarovar Portico Hotel or similar
- Negombo: Jetwing Sea or similar
- Kandalama: Heritage Kandalama or similar
- Kandy: Earl's Regent Hotel or similar
- Galle: Amari Galle or similar

Please note: Accommodation/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

3 People (subject to availability).

Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for Children 8 years old and over.

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

Triple Share

No discounts apply for 3rd person travelling. Full price applies, subject to availability.

Please note: Triple shares may be required to share existing bedding.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or Double bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

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

Optional Tours / Activities - Payable at checkout

Day 9: Pushkar Full Day Tour - \$50 AUD per person

Day 9: Culinary Delight Tour - \$30 AUD per person

Day 13: Sigiriya Rock Fortress Half Day Tour: \$60 AUD per person

Day 14: Jeep Safari in Minneriya National Park: \$100 AUD per person.

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.

Optional Tours / Activities - Payable on tour

Day 7: Early Morning at Taj Mahal Experience – approx. 1050 rupees per person

Please note:

- prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified

- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A visa for India, Sri Lanka & Nepal are strict requirements if travelling on an Australian passport)

- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary

- Recommended gratuities/tipping: \$5-\$10 AUD per person/day payable on tour in local currency as stated further below

- 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 **TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER**

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary,

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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.

Please note: 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.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

India:

May is the hottest month with an average temperature of 33°C and the coldest is January at 15°C with the most daily sunshine hours at 9 in November.

Nepal:

June is the hottest month in Kathmandu with an average temperature of 23°C and the coldest is January at 9°C.

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 is. The weather doesn't run like clockwork here! 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, both the air and the water!

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

At TripADeal 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.

Passport Validity:

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

COACH TOUR

Meals:

Daily breakfast is included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal 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.

OTHER

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 general level of fitness will be required. 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 quite common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate on your arrival back home.

It is your responsibility to check with your doctor well in advance of leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

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 in India is 300 rupees per person per day. The recommended tip in Sri Lanka is 1000 Rupees per person per day. This covers both the guide/leader and the driver, and will be collected whilst on tour.

Tipping for all services provided on tour is always a matter of personal discretion, however please be aware that tipping is considered by many locals to be a part of their normal remuneration and they may approach you for payment and there is no need to be intimidated by the



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request.

Sightseeing:

Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary will be adjusted to ensure you do not miss out on the experience (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 of 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 in regards to shopping for further information.

VISAS

Nepal

A Tourist Visa for Nepal is required if travelling on an Australian Passport. This can be arranged on arrival for approximately \$30 USD, valid for 15 days. Visas must be arranged in USD currency at the border with 2 passport sized photos.

India

A Tourist Visa for India 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 6 weeks prior to departure. TripADeal offers a fast, secure and easy service to obtain a Visa for this country

- This visa can take approximately 5

business days to complete.

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 6 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. TripADeal offers a fast, secure and easy service to obtain a Visa for this country

- This visa can take approximately 5 business days to complete.

Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, 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.

INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

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.

- 1st Change - \$100.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.
- 2nd Change - \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

• Subsequent changes - \$250.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

• Changes within 30 days of departure \$350.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

• Changes within 14 days of departure \$500.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

• If the incorrect name has been advised to TripADeal, charges of \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

