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The Tea Highlands & Whales of the South

*“Rolling tea fields, the Nine Arch Bridge steam train, deep ocean blue whales,
and the Dutch Fort of Galle”*

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DAYS

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NINE ARCH BRIDGE TRAIN

1

BLUE WHALE SAFARI

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FROM

\$6,900

PER PERSON

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Overview

Engineered for luxury travelers who crave high-altitude topography, rolling tea fields, and historic colonial architecture seamlessly paired with southern whale tracking. From the golden Temple of the Tooth in Kandy and the steam train crossing the Nine Arch Bridge to a private catamaran tracking Wild Blue Whales and snorkelling in secret Sinharaja rock basins — the complete southern Sri Lanka experience.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ceylon Tea Trails — historic colonial-style tea estate in the Hatton/Ella Highlands, one of Sri Lanka's most atmospheric luxury properties
- Private hands-on tea plucking and tasting masterclass on the luxury estate
- Nine Arch Bridge, Ella — watching the historic steam train cross the massive brick-and-stone arches spanning the dense jungle valley
- Hidden Sinharaja Rainforest border gorges — swimming in secret neon-blue mountain rock basins reached by jungle trek
- Weligama outer reef Sea Walk — helmets on, walking alongside colourful parrotfish, triggerfish, and giant sea anemones
- Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic in Kandy — the golden-roofed most sacred Buddhist site in Sri Lanka, with its intricate carvings and paintings
- Castlereagh Lake sundowner — single malt whiskies and single-estate Ceylon teas from a wooden deck high over mist-shrouded highland valleys
- Private 55-foot catamaran from Mirissa tracking Wild Blue Whales and pods of thousands of spinner dolphins
- Galle Dutch Fort (UNESCO) — 17th-century ramparts, the iconic white lighthouse, cobblestone alleys, and colonial manors
- Exclusive stilt fisherman and Beeralu lace weaving cultural encounter on the southern coast

Rolling tea fields, the Nine Arch Bridge steam train, deep ocean blue whales, and the Dutch Fort of Galle

The Itinerary

01

ELLA HIGHLANDS, SRI LANKA

Day 1 | Nairobi » Colombo » Tea Highlands — Arrival

VIP handling at Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta Airport, direct flight to Colombo. VIP tarmac pickup, private luxury SUV up the winding mountain roads into the rolling green tea highlands. Check into the historic colonial-styled Ceylon Tea Trails — Luxury Master Suite. Private guided tour of the tea estate if arriving before 4:00 PM. Welcome dinner.

- Ceylon Tea Trails
- Dinner

02

KANDY

Day 2 | Temple of the Tooth & Tea Masterclass

Drive to Kandy to view the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic — the golden-roofed most sacred Buddhist site in Sri Lanka. Private historian explains the history of the tooth relic and the temple's extraordinary architecture. Return to the estate for a private hands-on tea plucking and tasting masterclass. Single malt whiskies and single-estate Ceylon teas from a private wooden deck over the mist-shrouded valleys of Castlereagh Lake at sunset. Gourmet dinner.

- Ceylon Tea Trails
- Breakfast, Dinner

03

ELLA

Day 3 | The Nine Arch Bridge

Travel to Ella to stand at the edge of the deep mountain gorges watching the historic steam train cross the massive Nine Arch Bridge — brick-and-stone arches spanning the dense jungle valley, one of Sri Lanka's most photographed sights. The surrounding mountains and valleys from scenic viewpoints. Tea plantations and highland scenery. Return to the estate for a relaxed evening.

- Ceylon Tea Trails
 - Breakfast, Dinner
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04

WELIGAMA / MIRISSA

Day 4 | Journey to the Palm-Fringed South Coast

Drive down the spectacular Ella mountain pass to the southern coastline — the dramatic descent from highland to coast with extraordinary views throughout. Check into Cape Weligama — Ocean Pool Villa — or Amanwella, perched on a high headland cliff overlooking the Indian Ocean. Afternoon at leisure. Gourmet dinner.

- Cape Weligama
- Breakfast, Dinner

05

MIRISSA

Day 5 | Deep Ocean Blue Whale & Dolphin Safari

A private 55-foot luxury catamaran from Mirissa harbour — tracking massive Wild Blue Whales and pods of thousands of spinner dolphins surfacing alongside the vessel in the open Indian Ocean. A white-linen cooked breakfast on a completely isolated sandy cove beneath a palm-fringed cliff face. Afternoon at leisure. Gourmet dinner.

- Cape Weligama
- Breakfast, Dinner

06

SINHARAJA

Day 6 | Secret Falls of the Prehistoric Sinharaja

With an elite naturalist guide into a hidden valley on the borders of Sinharaja Rainforest — one of Sri Lanka's last primary rainforests. Trekking through untouched jungle canopy to secret waterfalls. Swimming inside completely private neon-blue mountain rock basins. The unique ecology of one of South Asia's most biodiverse environments. Return to the resort for a relaxed evening.

- Cape Weligama
- Breakfast, Dinner

07

GALLE

Day 7 | Galle Dutch Fort — UNESCO Colonial Walk

A private architectural walk through the 17th-century ramparts and cobblestone alleys of the Galle Dutch Fort — the iconic white lighthouse, elegant colonial manors, its Portuguese and Dutch past explained by a private historian. The vibrant streets with boutiques, galleries, and cafes. Panoramic views from the fort walls. Return for gourmet dinner.

- Cape Weligama
- Breakfast, Dinner

DAY BY DAY (CONTINUED)

08

GALLE

Day 8 | Southern Reef Sea Walk & Bonfire Dinner

A specialised high-tech diving helmet for a Sea Walk along the protected shallow reefs of Weligama — walking the ocean floor alongside colourful parrotfish, triggerfish, and giant sea anemones. A grand torch-lit seafood barbecue bonfire dinner with fresh local jumbo prawns on a private stretch of beach under lanterns and palm fronds.

- Cape Weligama
- Breakfast, Dinner

09

GALLE

Day 9 | Exclusive Stilt Fisher & Lacework Heritage Tour

A coastal cove with the iconic indigenous Stilt Fishermen — balance-fishing on wooden poles driven into the coral reef. Traditional Beeralu lace weaving with master craftsmen. A private performance of historic maritime storytelling. Celebratory farewell dinner at Cape Weligama paired with vintage wines.

- Cape Weligama
- Breakfast, Dinner

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GALLE

Day 10 | Return to Colombo & Departure

A relaxed breakfast watching the Indian Ocean waves crash against the cliffs. Check out, chauffeur along the southern highway to Colombo. Complementary spa session. Airport transfer for international flight back to Nairobi.

- City Hotel, Colombo
- Breakfast

INVESTMENT

Pricing & Inclusions

PER PERSON SHARING

\$7,500

SINGLE TRAVELLER SUPPLEMENT

On Request

Pricing is an estimate subject to confirmation based on season, group size, and final accommodation selection.

SEASONAL PRICING

Jan – May	SHOULDER SEASON	\$7,900
Dry on the west & south coasts		
May – Sep	BEST VALUE	\$6,900
Dry season on the east coast		
Sep – Dec	PEAK SEASON	\$8,100
Dry season returns island-wide		

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- » VIP tarmac handling at all airports
- » All private luxury vehicle transfers
- » 9 nights luxury accommodation
- » All meals — Full Board throughout
- » International flights Nairobi–Colombo–Nairobi
- » Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic
- » Tea plucking & tasting masterclass
- » Castlereagh Lake highland sundowner
- » Nine Arch Bridge Ella excursion
- » Private 55-ft catamaran blue whale safari
- » Sinharaja secret falls jungle trek
- » Galle Dutch Fort architectural walk
- » Weligama outer reef sea walk
- » Stilt fisher & lace weaving cultural day

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International flights to/from Nairobi (confirm at booking)
- Gratuities for guides & staff
- Premium imported alcohol
- Items of a personal nature

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