

ISLAND LIKE NO OTHER

MOUNTAIN LEOPARDS, DRY ZONE LEOPARDS, ELEPHANTS & BIRDS OF WILD SRI LANKA











An ideal safari experience to spot all major wildlife in the montane forest up in the hills above 6000 feet and more of the dry zone forest in the deep South. We track the elusive mountain leopards in the hills and then arrive on the lowlands for more of it. It covers leopards in two of Wild Sri Lankas distinctive habitats. As we arrive in Yala National park, we also lookout for all other species that shares the habitats with the elusive leopards such as elephants, myriad of birds, jackals, sloth bears, mugger crocodiles and more. This is an exciting safari that captures the diversity of this amazing Wild Island.

All ground handling, safaris and accommodation requirements are arranged by your very own guide at all times, throughout your journey.

<mark>05</mark> NIGHTS 06 DAYS

DAY 01

- Meet and Greet at the Colombo hotel.
- Transfer to Kandy. To visit the Temple of the tooth relic.
 - Approximate travel time 03 hours' drive
- After lunch at Cinnamon Citadel continue the tour to Nuwara Eliya. Check-in to The Grand Hotel – Nuwara Eliya.
 - Approximate travel time 90 minutes from Kandy
- Overnight stay at the Grand hotel Nuwara Eliya

DAY 02

 Early start – we have tea / coffee and drive to Horton Plains National Park for birding, landscapes and we look for the elusive mountain leopards on the plains, 6000 feet above sea level.

If you're a leopard enthusiast, lets prey we see one in this spectacular location – we call the plains of heaven.

- Horton Plains National Park has a unique ecosystem where you can enjoy wildlife and scenic beauty.
- Breakfast & Lunch at the national park and continue the day in search of mountain leopards, Sambar deer, birds and scenery.
- Dinner and overnight stay at the Grand hotel Nuwara Eliya

DAY 03

 Second full day safari at the Horton Plains National Park. B 'fast and Lunch picnic style as we look for more opportunities with the break taking wilderness up in the mountains.

Dinner and overnight stay at Grand Hotel – Nuwara – Eliya

DAY 04

After breakfast we check out from the hotel and drive to Yala National Park
we drive downhill with a stop at Ella Gaps for Tea, and check into Cinnamon Wild – Yala
for lunch

And our evening game drive starts at 1530 Hrs

- Approximate travel time 05 hours' drive to Cinnamon Wild resort Yala.
- We check-in to Cinnamon Wild Yala.
- Evening Safari to explore Yala its habitat and begin the leopard safaris
- After dinner It's a treat at the open-air deck for a Stargazing with the Yala team deploying a professional telescope.

Nature Trails team at Cinnamon Wild is equipped with a State-of-the-Art Telescope and Yala has one of the least light polluted night skies in the country.

Overnight stay at the hotel.

DAY 05

- Morning game drive at Yala starts 0530 Hrs with a packed breakfast as we embark on a safari at the home of the leopard in Asia.
 - Yala National Park, located in the southeastern region of Sri Lanka, is a
 breathtaking natural ecosystem that captivates visitors with its diverse wildlife
 and stunning landscapes. The park is renowned for its remarkable population of
 leopards, making it one of the best places in the world to spot them. Besides
 leopards, Yala is home to a plethora of other wildlife, including elephants, sloth
 bears, spotted deer, and an abundance of bird species, making it a paradise for
 wildlife enthusiasts and nature lovers alike.
- We return to the hotel for lunch.
- The evening safari starts at 14:30 hrs till 18:00 looking for leopards, elephants, Spotted Deer, Sambar Deer, Jackals, Mugger crocodiles and the rare Sloth Bears.
- Late evening We conclude the Sri Lanka safari with a Gala dinner by the lake overlooking a million stars overnight stay at the hotel.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

DAY 06

 After an early breakfast – we leave Yala and drive to Colombo on the Southern Expressway, just a 3.5-hour dash to arrive in Colombo for lunch and your airport drop

END OF THE TOUR!

RATE	
Group	Per person Rate
4 PAX	USD 2,300/-
8 PAX	USD 2,200/-

Accommodation on double sharing basis

INCLUSIONS:

- Accommodation in mentioned hotel for 05 nights on Double sharing basis
- Meal plans as mentioned in the itinerary
- Transport in an air-conditioned mini coach.
- All entrance permits to National Parks
- Guided by experienced and professional English-speaking Naturalist Guides of Nature Trails
- Bottled drinking water

EXCLUSIONS:

- Alcohol and other beverages.
- Tips and gratuities.
- Meals at any hotel restaurant other than the meals mentioned

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- For voluntary cancellations, the fees mentioned under "Cancellation policy" in the itinerary will be applicable.
- In the unlikely event that a sightseeing tour(s) cannot be provided due to unforeseeable and unavoidable circumstances such as adverse weather conditions, demonstrations, sudden road closures etc. passengers agree that the company will not be held responsible, and no refunds will be provided for such cases.
- Hotel reserves the right to charge the guest the cost of rectifying damages due to deliberate, reckless, and negligent actions of the guest.
- As the dates are within Peak season, the stated hotels will be always First Priority yet if they are not available, alternate hotels will be offered.

BOOKING CONDITIONS:

- An advance payment of 40% of the quoted per person is required at the time of registration to confirm this booking.
- Balance 60% to be paid 45 days prior to departure date. If confirmation is less than 45 days, full payment is to be made.
- Rooms are subject to availability at the time of confirmation.
- If government taxes and levy applicable to date increase or change, the relevant amount will be added on to the invoice while the benefit of any deductions in withholding taxes will be passed on to the agent/ customer.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

- In the event you cancel the tour on voluntary basis, the following amounts will be applicable:
- In the event the tickets are issued, refund penalties will be applicable.
 - o 90 45 Days prior to departure No charge
 - 45 30 Days prior to departure 30%
 - o 30 Days prior to departure Non refundable

GENERAL INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- There will be tea or coffee in most of the hotel rooms.
- Excursions may change based on weather conditions.
- The excursions times will be communicated by our Naturalist.
- Some of the excursions are weather permitting.
- Sun cream and an Insect repellent is advisable to apply during the excursions.

About NATURE TRAILS - Your Naturalist Team

Nature Trails is the award winning In-house naturalist team of Cinnamon Hotels & Resorts, the team is led by Chitral J - a leading photographer / naturalist whose passion to showcase Sri Lanka has brought leading networks to film in the island such as Blu Planet II. Planet Earth III, NHK Japan, ZDF Germany, Warner Brothers and Sentient production from UK. They take pride in curating nature-based experiences across the island while their sustainable efforts such as Project Leopard in the outskirts of Yala National Park and Project Cinnamon Elephant based in Habarana has been recognized by PATA Gold awards. They are currently involved in re-generating a 60-acre Rain Forest adjacent to the Sinharaja Rain Forest in which they've already planted 17,000 native trees on site. Chitral's team has played hosts to Jonathan & Angela Scott, Marco Piero White, Valmik Thapar, Paul Goldstein, Bence mate and Will Burrard Lucas while on safari in Sri Lanka. They are also the only teams whose been highlighted on BBC's Blue Planet II while their work at sea was narrated by the world's greatest naturalist Sir. David Attenborough.