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## COVER

## THE GREAT STONE PLOVER

*Esacus Recurvirostris (Cuvier), Resident.*

The bird is about the size of a medium sized domestic hen, but a little slimmer and longer in the leg. The sexes are alike. Its upper plumage drab grey while its under plumage is white. It has a long heavy beak, slightly up-curved, light yellow at the base and black along the rest of its length.

This bird lives in pairs, suggesting that it has a mate for life and is generally seen in small flocks only after the breeding season. It is usually found in the dry zone along the costal districts and is mainly nocturnal, feeding at night and resting near tanks, estuaries or lagoons during the day. Extremely shy, it flies to a safe distance on the approach of man.

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15th November 1988

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# CALENDAR FOR 1988



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## Public, Bank, Mercantile & Full Moon Poya Holidays 1988

January 03	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†	May 31	The Day Following Wesak Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
January 15	Thai Pongal Day	*+†	June 29	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
February 02	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†	June 30	Special Bank Holiday	+
February 04	Independence Commemoration Day	*+†	July 25	Id-Ul-Alha (Hajj) Festival Day	*+
February 16	Maha Sivarathri Day	*+	July 28	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
March 03	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†	August 26	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
April 01	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†	September 25	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
April 01	Good Friday	*+	October 24	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
April 12	The Day prior to the Sinhala and Tamil New Year's Day	*+†	October 24	Milad-Un-Nabi (Holy Prophet's Birthday)	*+†
April 13	The Sinhala and Tamil New Year's Day	*+†	November 08	Deepavali Festival Day	*+
May 01	May Day	*+†	November 23	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
May 01	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†	December 22	Full Moon Poya Day	*+†
May 18	Id-Ul-Fitr (Ramazan Festival Day)	*+	December 25	Christmas Day	*+†
May 22	National Heroes Day	*+†	December 31	Special Bank Holiday	+
May 30	Wesak Full Moon Poya Day	*+†			

\* Public Holidays

+ Bank Holidays

† Mercantile Holidays

# DIARY DATES



## HOLIDAYS

NOVEMBER - 1988

November 8th (Tuesday) Deepavali Festival Day \*++

November 23rd (Wednesday) Full Moon Poya Day \*++†

(\*Public Holidays + Bank Holidays † Mercantile Holidays)

## ENTERTAINMENT-DINING-DANCING

### AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL—SEEDUWA.

- **Kurundu Coffee House**—Open 24 hours serving informal meals, snacks, Lunch, Breakfast and Dinner.
- **Businessmen's Buffet**—Monday to Saturday 12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.
- **Cricketers Arms (Pub)**—Styled as an English country Pub with a club atmosphere. Serving Pub Grub (Popular dishes, evening flambe). Happy hours: 6.00 to 7.00 p.m. daily.
- **Cascade Cocktail Lounge**—For your favourite aperitif.
- **Society Restaurant**—offers selected Continental, Indian, Chinese and Sri Lankan dishes.
- **Bridge Patio**—provides breakfast, snacks, hot and cold drinks, ice creams, sundaes cassatas, and candies for kiddies.
- **Wet Willies Bar**—stands firmly in the lagoon. Serves sundowner cocktails and your favourite drinks.
- **Lazy lagoon Barbecue**—Every Saturday: International barbecue specialities & Tandoor Food. Every Sunday: Grand Sunday Buffet Lunch.
- **Kiddies Corner Childrens Play park**—Fun playground for the toddlers with swings, slides, clamber frames.
- **Pink Kitchen**—Food shop for take aways Cakes, Bread, Desserts, Pizzas, Pates, Pies.

### HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO

- **A-la-Carte Dining — Gables**—Open Monday to Friday Lunch 12 noon to 3 p.m., Dinner 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday and Sunday dinner only.
- **Lotus Terrace**—Eastern and Western delights—Open daily 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday 24 hours—**Lotus Patio**—Sathes and Steamboats.
- **Ginza Hohsen**—Authentic Japanese Food Luncheon—12 noon to 3 p.m., Dinner 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.—Open daily except Tuesdays.



- **Reflections** — Piano Bar in an intimate club like ambience — Open daily from 5.30 p.m. to 1 a.m.
- **Thorana Lounge** — Sunday/Monday/Tuesday — Harsha/Khrome, Wednesday to Saturday — Nihal Corea. Open daily 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. — Afternoon tea 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays Fashion Extravaganza at tea time — 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Blue Elephant Discotheque** — The Night pulse of Colombo — Open 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Except on Mondays.
- **Clark Hatch Sports and Fitness Centre** — Bar-be-Que
- **Reflections Bar** — Live entertainment daily from 6.30 p.m. — 12 mid-night.
- **Lotus** — Lunch Buffet, Oriental and Continental Favourites — Daily 11.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Except Sundays
- **Thorana Lounge** — Philippino Orchestra, (Golden Strings) Saturday — Wednesday 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. and 7.30 to 11.30 p.m.

#### HOTEL LANKA OBEROI

- **Ran Malu Restaurant** — Oriental Buffet Lunch 12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. (except weekends). A La Carte Dining — Sunday to Thursday. Family Buffet Dinner — Friday and Saturday.
- **Araliya** — The family restaurant by the garden. Serves International Cuisine 12 noon to 3 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. daily. (Open air Dining Facility available.) A German Counter serving a variety of sausages created by a specialist chef, together with the perfect accompaniment — Draught Beer.
- **London Grill** — A La Carte Dining daily, 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. specialises in exciting Gourmet Continental Cuisine.
- **Super Club** — The roof top night club with a spectacular view of the city. A well stocked bar, a completely new array of snacks and a live band in attendance every evening. 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.
- **Purple Orchid** — Coffee Shop — with a 24 hour service specialises in a Breakfast Buffet daily, besides the normal A-La Carte menus.
- **Lobby Bar** — Serves discounted Beverages during "Happy Hour", from 5.30 p.m. — 7 p.m. daily. A pianist is in attendance every day except Mondays from 3.30 p.m. 12.30 a.m.
- **Lobby Lounge** — Favourite melodies are provided on the piano from 12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. and a **Philharmonic Orchestra** entertains from 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. daily. A Coffee Counter and Pastry Wagon offering a choice of pastries and cookies — special feature from 10 p.m. to 12 midnight.
- **Pastry Shop and Delicatessen** — Offers a wide shelf range of delectables, including a variety of sweets and savouries. Freshly baked bread, pastries, cakes, an array of chocolates, gateaux, cold cuts and sausages are a speciality. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Lanka Oberoi Art Gallery** — A permanent collection of art by contemporary Sri Lankan artists, including works of art by the internationally famed artist — Senaka Senanayake. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

#### HOTEL CEYLON INTERCONTINENTAL

- **Aquamarine Bar** — Savoury and Sandwich lunch from 12 noon. to 2.30 p.m. and evening Cocktails from 5.30 p.m. onwards. Music by pianist **Beverly Rodrigo** at Lunch Time (except Wednesday).
- **Pearl Seafood Restaurant** — 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. — Dinner on the terrace serenaded by a Sri Lankan Calypso Band
- **Emerald Tea and Coffee Shop** — 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. (except Sundays) — Popular Lunch time Curry Buffet and A-la-Carte menu.
- **Coffee Shop** — Open 24 hours. Special snack menu after 10 p.m.



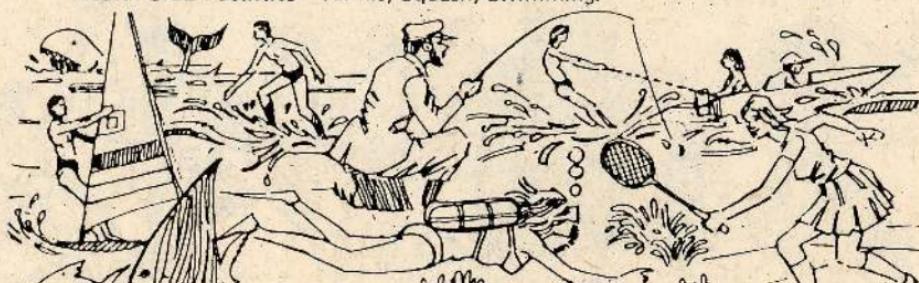
- **The John Player Inter Sports Centre at the hotel has three restaurants:**  
**The Pizzeria** — which serves Pizzas and Pasta from 9.30 a.m. to 11 p.m.  
**The Tharanga Terrace** — open air restaurant overlooking the Indian Ocean  
**The 100 Pipers Pub** — cosy and hidden away "down under" the Pizzeria. Our special feature at the Pub will be "Happy Hour" which is between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. and during the week, sports movies will be some of the Pub's highlights. Draught Beer, a typical pub menu and darts contribute to the atmosphere at the Pub. A Chess Board too is available for Chess enthusiasts and, if you want, piped music too from the special sound effects installed. —
- **The Continental Club and Casino** with its breathtaking view from the rooftop of the hotel is now open daily (except on Poya Days) from 12 noon to 5 a.m. Black Jack, Baccarat and Roulette are some of the highlights in the gaming scene of the Casino.

#### **HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN**

- **La Palme D'or Rooftop Restaurant**—Serves a Businessman's lunch from 12 noon to 2.30 p.m., weekdays & A La Carte French & Continental cuisine from 7.30 to 11.00 p.m. nightly Entertainment by **Suriyakumar** on Fridays & Saturdays.
- **Le Cafe Fleurri Brasserie/Coffee Shop** is open 24 hours. It has a luncheon buffet & Chef's Specials & A la Carte for lunch & dinner daily.
- **The Fish, Meridien's New Seafood Restaurant** open for dinner from 7.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m., offers a tantalising menu of seafood preparations.
- **Le Rendezvous Lobby Bar** open from 11.00 a.m. to mid-night, with live music daily from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m. **Noeline + 2** on Sundays & Mondays, **Kanthi & Judy with Fazard** on Tuesdays **Suriyakumar** with **Liza** on Wednesdays & Thursdays **Anjalee with Denver** on Fridays & Saturdays.
- **The Dolpin Poolside Snack Bar** is open from 10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. daily.
- **Combo 2000 Night Club** has live music for dancing nightly from 9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m., extended till 4.00 a.m. on Fridays & Saturdays. Food Service is also available on request. Live music everyday of the week—Mondays—**Ayesha & Dream Team**, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays—**Noeline with Apple Green**, Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays—**Sohan & the X-periments** with **Estelle Eugene & the D.J. Gang** daily.

#### **HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA**

- **Ports of Call**—24 hrs. Culinary voyage with superb selection of Eastern, Western and speciality food from Asia.
- **Golden Dragon**—Schezwan speciality food service, in 5 star deluxe elegance.
- **Drive in Tandoori Bar-be-que** (serving Indian Tandoori) combine the pleasure of a picnic in a idyllic outdoor setting with the culinary expertise that only Taj Samudra can provide. Avail yourself of take-away food facilities 8. p.m. daily—dress casual.
- **Lobby Bar**—Live entertainment daily. Free snacks daily from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Pastry Shop**—Open every day from 11 a.m.—10 p.m.
- **Kiddies Corner**—Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 6.30 p.m. onwards.
- **Sunday Buffet Lunch**—Moghul Buffet. Every Sunday at "Ports of Call" from 12.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Kids half rate.
- **Health Club Facilities**—Tennis, Squash, Swimming.



## MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL

- **Little Hut Night Club**—One of the oldest & most popular in the country, open from Wednesday to Saturday with top live bands & D.J. 9.30 p.m onwards. Cover Charge—Rs. 50/- Gents, Ladies no charge.

## Curry Clipper

- Overlooking the Paradise beach is another new restaurant—CURRY CLIPPER—where the people can savour the different flavours of the East. Set in a relaxed atmosphere, many special dishes are served from Sri Lanka, India, China and the Far East. Serves Far Eastern cuisine, Beach Restaurant. Coffee Shop—A La Carte Menue.

## Sea Food Restaurant

- Situated in a perfect spot by the Beach, serves a variety of fish dishes, with a speciality each day. Sunday special Eastern Western Buffet—Rs. 150/- per person. Guests staying on a full board basis may have special buffets instead of set menue, provided they inform the reception 24 hours in advance. Rs. 25/- extra will be charged on Wednesdays (Fishermans Bonfire) & Thursdays (Cavery Night).

## Sports

- Two new Tennis Courts provides a good game of Tennis. There is also a Tennis Coach/Marker available.

Enjoy the Fun of Volleyball on the Paradise Beach. Water Sports are available in season:—Windsurfing, Water-skiing, diving and deep-sea fishing. Lessons could be arranged if required.

## Terrace

- Serves Far Eastern Cuisine, Beach Restaurant Coffee Shop—A La Carte Menue. Offers different musical entertainment each evening like Jazz, piano and other atmospheric music.

## Paradise Beach

- A long stretch of wide sandy beach-Paradise Beach, which is in a secluded spot, ideal for relaxing in a peaceful atmosphere there is a BEACH BAR where refreshments and exotic cocktails are available all day. In the evening PARADISE BEACH DISCO BAR is the center of beach entertainment, providing music, a special cocktail each evening and various shows like magic shows, snake charmers and monkey dancing.

## MOUNT ROYAL BEACH HOTEL

- **Beer Garden**—6 p.m. to 11 p.m. discounts on Beer and Spirits.
- **Shanghai Palace/Chinese Restaurant**—Open for lunch and dinner (except Mondays) “Regional Delicacy Menu”—Saturday night at Rs. 90/- per person.
- **Casino Royale**—Open daily except Poya Days.
- **Royal Garden Coffee Shop**—Open from 6.00 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sundays—Special Buffet Lunch at Rs. 125/- per person.



- **Seaspray Restaurant**— Open Daily till 11.30 p.m. Sundays— Special Chinese Buffet Lunch at Rs. 44/- per person.
- **Peacock Night Club**— Open Fridays and Saturdays 10.00 p.m. to 3.00 a.m. Band Pro-arrangement.

### POYA DAY – WEDNESDAY 23rd

#### HOTEL LANKA OBEROI

- Family Buffet Dinner – Ran Malu Restaurant – 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

### MONDAY

#### AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL – SEEDUWA:

- Kurundu Coffee House: Open 24 hours. New Kurundu Special Menu.
- Cricketers Arms Pub Bar: Typical English Pub-Special Pub Menu.
- Indian Buffet Lunch – 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. Happy Hour – 6.00 to 7.00 p.m. For a variety of drinks: 10.00 a.m. through to 12.00 midnight.

#### HILTON INTERNATIONAL HOTEL COLOMBO

- Thorana Lounge – Harsha & Khrone 7.30 p.m. – 11.30 p.m.
- Reflections Bar – Nihal Corea 6.30 p.m. – 12.00 mid-night.

#### HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN

- Colombo 2000 Night Club— Live music for dancing provided by Ayesha & Dream Team – 9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.
- Lobby Bar – Live music from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m. provided by Noeline +2.

#### HOTEL GALAXY

- Coffee Shop— Speciality of the House – Sea food Mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised OX tongue, served on a sizzling platter from 12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.

#### HOTEL LANKA OBEROI

- Lobby Lounge— Pianist – 12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. Euphonia Strings – 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.
- Supper Club— Live Music for dancing – 9.00 p.m. to 3.00 a.m. provided by "SUMMERSSET"

#### HOTEL CEYLON INTERCONTINENTAL

- Pearl Seafood Restaurant— Sri Lankan Cultural Dance Performance – 8.30 p.m.

#### MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL

- Terrace— Jazz Band.
- Coffee House – A-la-Carte Menu

#### HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA

- Lobby Bar— Guitar/Keyboard artistry by Deva 7 p.m. onwards.

#### HOTEL SERENDIB

- Sri Lanka Nite.



### **BROWNS BEACH HOTEL—NEGOMBO**

- Sun Set Night Club—with DJ Randy 9.30 p.m. to 2.30 a.m.

### **HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA**

- Lobby Bar—Live band "Aesh" 7. p.m. onwards.

### **HOTEL SERENDIB**

- Grill Nite with Calypso music

### **SUNDAY**

#### **AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL—SEEDUWA:**

- Kurundu Coffee House: Open 24 hours. New Kurundu Special Menu with Calypso Band.
- Wet Willies Restaurant: Grand International Buffet spread out from 12.30 to 3.00 p.m. Indian Tandoori/Barbeque 10.00 to 6.00 p.m. with Calypso Band.
- Cricketers Arms Pub Bar: Typical English Pub. Special Pub Menu. Happy Hour 6.00 to 7.00 p.m. For a variety of drinks 1.00 a.m. through to 12.00 midnight.

### **BROWNS BEACH HOTEL**

- International Buffet Lunch — Calypso Music 1.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.  
Rs. 110/- + 10% per head.

### **HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO**

- Poolside — B.B.Q—12.00 noon – 3.00 p.m.
- Thorana Lounge—Harsha & Khoome 7.30 p.m. – 11.30 p.m.
- Reflection Bar—Nihal Corea – 6.30 p.m. – 12.00 mid-night.

### **HOTEL LANKA OBEROI**

- Lobby Lounge—Pianist—12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. Philharmonia Players—6.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.
- Lobby Bar—Pianist—8.30 p.m. – 12.30 a.m.

— Super Club—Live Music for dancing 9.00 p.m. – 3.00 a.m. provided by "PEARL".

### **HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN**

- Dolphin Poolside — Snack Bar
- Lobby Bar—Live music—7.30 p.m. – 11.30 p.m. provided by **Noeline +2**
- Colombo 2000 Night Club—Live music for dancing provided by **Sohan & the X-periments with Estelle**—9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.

### **HOTEL GALAXY**

- Coffee Shop—Speciality of the house—Seafood mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised ox tongue served on a sizzling platter from 12 noon to 3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.

### **MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL**

- Empire Ballroom—Buffet Lunch 12.30—2.30 p.m. Rs. 150/- nett
- Terrace—Jazz Band, Butcher's Corner from 7.30 p.m. onwards.
- Priced according to food items selected.
- Musical entertainment by **Vendo Trio**.

### **MOUNT ROYAL BEACH HOTEL**

- Royal Garden Coffee Shop—Buffet lunch at Rs. 125/- per person.
- Seaspray Restaurant—Special Chinese Buffet at Rs. 44/- per person.

### **BROWNS BEACH HOTEL—NEGOMBO**

- Buffet Lunch—from 1 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

### **HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA**

- Ports of Call—Moghul Buffet Lunch from 12.30—p.m. to 3 p.m. Children half rate.
- Kiddies Corner—From 6.30 p.m. onwards. Fun & games for Little members.
- Lobby Bar—Live Band "Aesh" 7 p.m. onwards.

### **HOTEL SERENDIB**

- Buffet Lunch



## OTHER PROGRAMMES OF INTEREST

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November 21st Monday — Sale (Lanka Mahila Samithiya)  
November 25th Friday to 27th Sunday — Handicraft Exhibition  
  
November 28th Monday/29th Tuesday — A sale of table linen (Mrs. S. Pothuhera)  
November 30th Wednesday — Handicraft Exhibition (Preethipura Home)

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November 5th Saturday — Dhuhul Pavure  
November 6th Sunday — Hitler  
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November 28th Monday — Bava Kadathurawa  
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November 30th Wednesday — Mayawarun

## TUESDAY

### AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL—SEEDUWA:

- Kurundu Coffee House: Open 24 hours. New Kurundu Special Menu.
- Cricketers Arms Pub Bar: Typical English Pub. Special Pub Menu. Buffet Lunch: 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. Happy Hour: 06.00 to 7.00 p.m. For a variety of drinks: 10.00 a.m. through to 12.00 midnight.

### BROWNS BEACH HOTEL

- Araliya Terrace — Seafood Nite organ music with Nihal 7.30 — 10.30 p.m.

### HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO

- Thorana Lounge—Harsha & Khrone—7.30 p.m.—11.30 p.m.
- Reflection Bar—Nihal Corea 6.30 p.m.—12.00 mid-night.

### HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN

- Colombo 2000 Night Club—Live music for dancing provided by Noeline with Apple Green—9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.
- Lobby Bar—Live music from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m. provided by Kanthi & Judy. with Fazard.

### HOTEL GALAXY

- Coffee Shop—speciality of the house—seafood mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised ox tongue, served on a sizzling platter from 12.00 noon—3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.—11.30 p.m.

### HOTEL LANKA OBEROI

- Lobby Lounge—Pianist—12.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m.
- Lobby Bar—Pianist—8.30 p.m.—12.30 p.m. Philharmonia players—6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.
- Super Club—Live Music for dancing—9.00 p.m.—3.00 a.m. provided by "PEARL"

### MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL

- Terrace Flambe Night from 7.30 p.m. onwards—Rs. 150/- nett.
- Country & Western music.

### HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA

- Lobby Bar—Guitar/Keyboard artistry by Deva 7 p.m. onwards.

### HOTEL SERENDIB

- Dinner with Calypso Music.

## WEDNESDAY.

### AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL—SEEDUWA:

- Kurundu Coffee House: Open 24 hours. New Kurundu Special Menu.
- Cricketers Arm Pub Bar: Typical English Pub. Special Pub Menu Buffet Lunch: 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. Happy Hour: 06.00 to 7.00 p.m. For a variety of drinks: 10.00 a.m. through to 12.00 midnight.

### BROWNS BEACH HOTEL

- Sri Lanka Nighe ( Special dinner buffet) with Calypso Music 7.30 p.m.- 1.30 p.m.

### HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO

- Blue Elephant — Flite Nite — a night to meet the airline people — 9.30 p.m. to 3 a.m.
- Thorana Lounge—Harsha & Khrone—7.30 p.m.—11.30 p.m.
- Reflections Bar— Nihal Corea 6.30 p.m.—12.00 mid-night.



### **HOTEL LANKA OBEROI**

- **Lobby Bar**—Pianist—8.30 p.m.—12.30 a.m.
  - Euphonia Strings—6.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
- **Lobby Bar**—Pianist—8.30 p.m.—12.30 a.m.
- **Super Club**—Live Music for dancing—9.00 p.m.—3.00 a.m. provided by "SUMMERSET"

### **HOTEL CEYLON INTERCONTINENTAL**

- **Pearl Seafood Restaurant**—Lobster Night

### **HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN**

- **Colombo 2000 Night Club**—Live music for dancing provided by **Noeline with Apple Green** 9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.
- **Lobby Bar**—Live music from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m. provided by **Suriyakumar with Liza**.

### **HOTEL GALAXY**

- **Coffee Shop**—Executive Buffet Lunch (Eastern, Western and Chinese Cusine) Calypso band in attendance—12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m.
- **Coffee Shop**—speciality of the house—seafood mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised ox tongue, served on a sizzling platter from 12.00 noon—3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.—11.30 p.m.

### **MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL**

- **Paradise Beach**—Fishermans Bonfire from 7.30 p.m. onwards. Rs. 175/- nett.
- **Terrace**—Musical entertainment by **Vendo Trio**.
- "Little Hut" Night Club—9.30 p.m. onwards with live band "Upeca". Gents Rs. 50/-, Ladies free.

### **HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA**

- **Lobby Bar**—Guitar/Keyboard artistry by Probath 7 p.m. onwards.

### **HOTEL SERENDIB**

- Chinese food, Dinner with Calypso music

## **THURSDAY**

### **AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL—SEEDUWA:**

- **Kurundu Coffee House**: Open 24 hours. New Kurundu Special Menu.
- **Cricketers Arms Pub Bar**: Typical English Pub. Special Pub Menu Buffet Lunch: 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. Happy Hour: 06.00 to 7.00 p.m. For a variety of drinks: 10.00 a.m. through to 12.00 midnight.

### **BROWNS BEACH HOTEL**

- **Sun Set Night Club**—Live music 9.30 p.m.—2.30 a.m.  
Rs. 50/- per person.

### **HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO**

- **Reflection Bar**—Nihal on Piano—6.30 p.m. to 12.00 mid-night
- **Thorana Lounge**—Harold Senaviratne. 7.30 p.m.—12 mid-night.

### **HOTEL LANKA OBEROI**

- **Lobby Lounge**—Pianist—12.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m. Philharmonia Players—6.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
- **Lobby Bar**—Pianist—8.30 p.m.—12.30 a.m.
- **Supper Club**—Live music for dancing 9.00 p.m.—3.00 a.m. provided by "PEARL"

### **HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN**

- **Colombo 2000 Night Club**—Live music for dancing provided by **Noeline with Apple Green** 9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.
- **Lobby Bar**—Live music 7.30 to 11.30 p.m.—**Suriyakumar with Liza**.



### HOTEL GALAXY

- Coffee Shop** - Speciality of the house - Seafood mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised ox tongue, served on a sizzling platter from 12.00 noon - 3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m - 11.30 p.m.

### MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL

- Terrace** - Carvery Night from 7.30 p.m. onwards. Rs. 175/- nett. Country & Western Music.
- "Little Hut" Night Club** - 9.30 p.m. onwards with live band "Kings". Gents Rs. 50/-, Ladies free.

### HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA

- Lobby Bar** - Live Band "Aesh" 7 p.m. onwards.

### HOTEL SERENDIB

- Dinner with Calypso music.

## FRIDAY

### AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL - SEEDUWA

- Kurundu Coffee House** - Open 24 hours. New Kurundu Special Menu.
- Cricketers Arms Pub Bar** - Typical English Pub. Special Pub Menu Buffet Lunch 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. Happy Hour - 06.00 to 7.00 p.m. For a variety of drinks 10.00 a.m. through to 12.00 midnight.

### BROWNS BEACH HOTEL

- Steak Night** - organ music with Nihal 7.30 - 10.30 p.m.
- Sun Set Night Club** - Live Music 9.30 -p.m. - 2.30 a.m.  
Rs. 50/- per person (entrance free for ladies)

### HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO

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### HOTEL LANKA OBEROI

- Lobby Lounge** - Pianist - 12.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.  
- Euphona strings 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
- Lobby Bar** - Pianist - 8.30 p.m. - 12.30 a.m. Euphonia Strings 6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
- Ran Malu Restaurant** - Oriental Buffet Dinner - 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.
- Supper Club** - Live Music for dancing 9.00 p.m. - 3.00 a.m. provided by "SUMMERSSET".

### HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN

- Colombo 2000 Night Club** - Live music for dancing provided by Sohan and the X-Periments with Estelle - 9.30 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.
- Lobby Bar** - Live music - from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m. provided by Anjalee with Denver.

### HOTEL GALAXY

- Coffee Shop** - Executive Buffet Lunch (Eastern, Western and ChineseCusine) Calypso Band in attendance - 12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m.
- Coffee Shop** - Speciality of the house - seafood mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised ox tongue, served on a sizzling platter from 12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.

### MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL

- Terrace-Bar-Be-Que Night** from 7.30 p.m. onwards Rs. 150/- nett. Beverly Rodrigo on piano.
- "Little Hut" Night Club** - from 9.30 p.m. onwards with live band "Kings" plus a DJ. Gents Rs. 100/- Ladies free.



### MOUNT ROYAL BEACH HOTEL

- Peacock Night Club— Band— Pro-arrangement— 10.00 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.

### BROWNS BEACH HOTEL— NEGOMBO

- Sun Set Night Club— with DJ Randy 9.30 p.m. to 2.30 a.m.

Steak Nite— from 7.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

### HOTEL TAJ SAMUDRA

- Kiddies Corner— From 6.30 p.m. onwards fun & games for little members.

Lobby Bar— Live Band "Aesh" 7 p.m. onwards.

### HOTEL SERENDIB

- Discotheque

### SATURDAY

### AIRPORT GARDEN HOTEL— SEEDUWA:

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### BROWNS BEACH HOTEL

- Bar - be - que dinner — with Calypso Music 7.30 p.m. — 10.30 p.m.

- Sun set Night Club — Live music 9.30 p.m. — 2.30 a.m.  
Rs. 50/- per person.

### HILTON INTERNATIONAL COLOMBO

- Reflections Bar — Nihal Corea on the Piano— 6.30 p.m. to 12.00 mid-night.

- Thorana Lounge — Harsha & Khrome — 7.30 p.m. — 11.30 p.m.

### HOTEL LANKA OBEROI

- Lobby Lounge— Pianist — 12.30 p.m. — 2.30 p.m. Philharmonia Players— 6.30 p.m. — 8.30 p.m.

- Lobby Bar— Pianist 9.30 p.m. — 12.30 a.m.

- Ran Malu Restaurant— Oriental Buffet Dinner 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

- Supper Club— Live music for dancing 9.00 p.m.— 3.00 a.m. provided by "PEARL"

### HOTEL GALADARI MERIDIEN

- Colombo 2000 Night Club— Live music for dancing provided by Sohan and the X-periments with Estelle— 9.30 p.m. to 4.00 a.m.

- Lobby Bar— Live music from 7.30— 11.30 p.m. provided by Anjalee with Denver.

### HOTEL GALAXY

- Coffee Shop— Speciality of the house— Seafood mixed grill in chef's spiced sauce and the mixed grill, steaks and Jamaican braised ox tongue served on a sizzling platter from 12 noon to 3.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.

### MOUNT LAVINIA HOTEL

- Terrace— Chinese Night from 7.30 p.m. onwards. Rs. 150/- nett. Jazz Band.

- "Little Hut" Night Club— from 9.30 p.m. onwards with live band "Upeca" plus a DJ. Gents Rs. 100/- ladies free.

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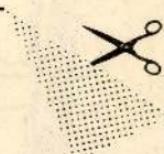
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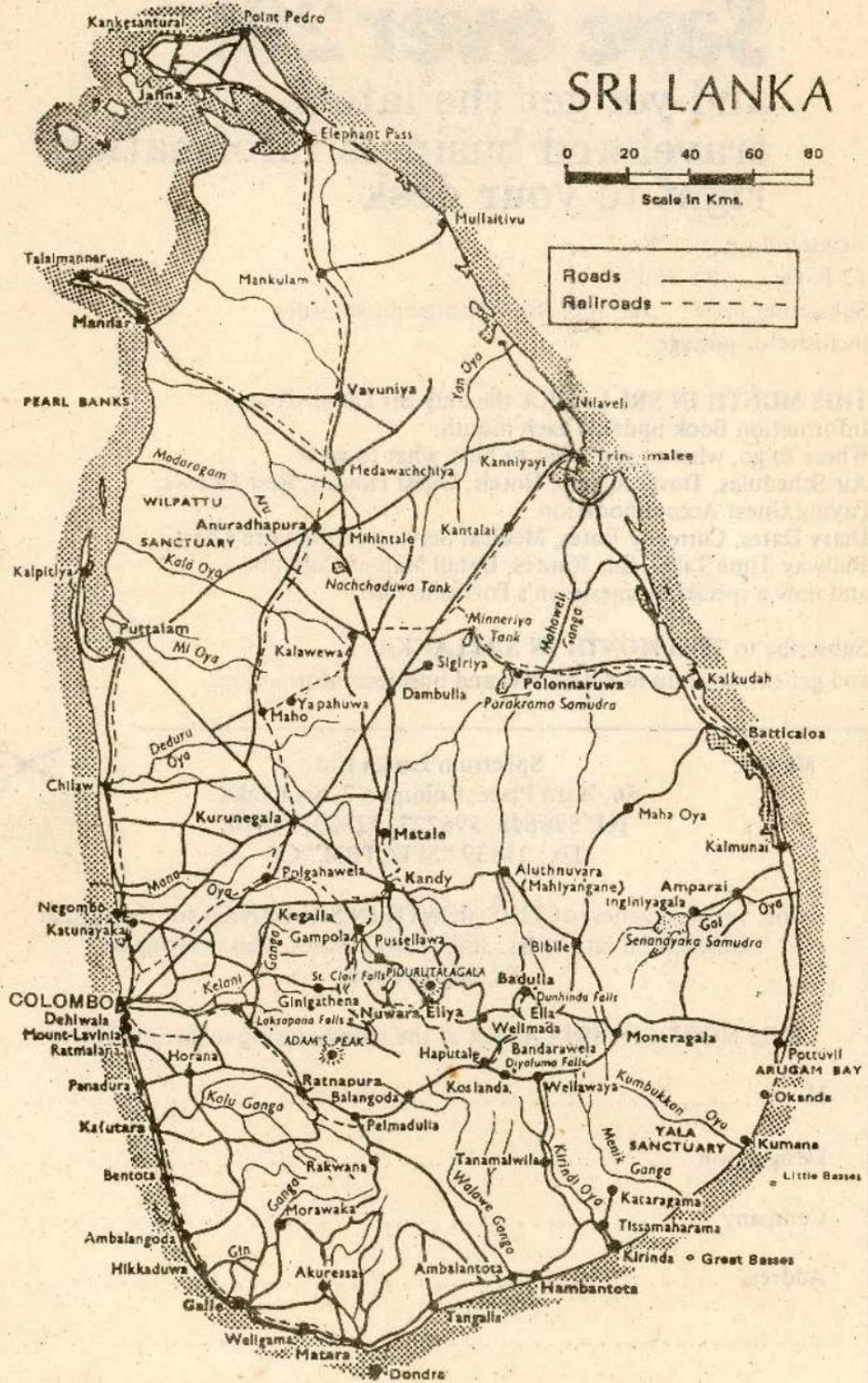
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November Fri. 4th — 5.30 p.m. — 'Edward II'. Feature Film (124 mins).

November Sat 5th  
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5.00 p.m. — 'Introduction to Literature' talks by Reggie Siriwardena on Poetry and Dr Rajiva Wijesinha on Fiction. Presented in association with the English Association of Sri Lanka.

November Wed. 9th 5.30 p.m. — 'The Mysteries' video series Part 2. 'Passion' (96 mins).

November Thurs. 10th  
5.30 p.m. — BBC Newsbrief (September), a monthly digest of news. Video (60 mins).

November Fri. 11th 5.30 p.m. — 'Edward II'. Feature Film (124 mins).

November Wed. 16th 5.30 p.m. — 'The Mysteries' video series Part 3 - 'Doomsday' (122 mins).

November Thurs. 17th  
5.30 p.m. — 'A Reading Against Eliot' a talk by Reggie Siriwardena. Presented in Association with the English Association of Sri Lanka.

November Fri. 18th & Fri. 25th  
5.30 p.m. each day — 'Heat and Dust'. Feature Film (133 mins).

November Sat. 26th 5.00 p.m. — ACLALS talk on Commonwealth Literature.

November Thurs 29th & Sat. 30th — 'Mcready' a one man show by Frank Barrie. Venue and time to be announced later.

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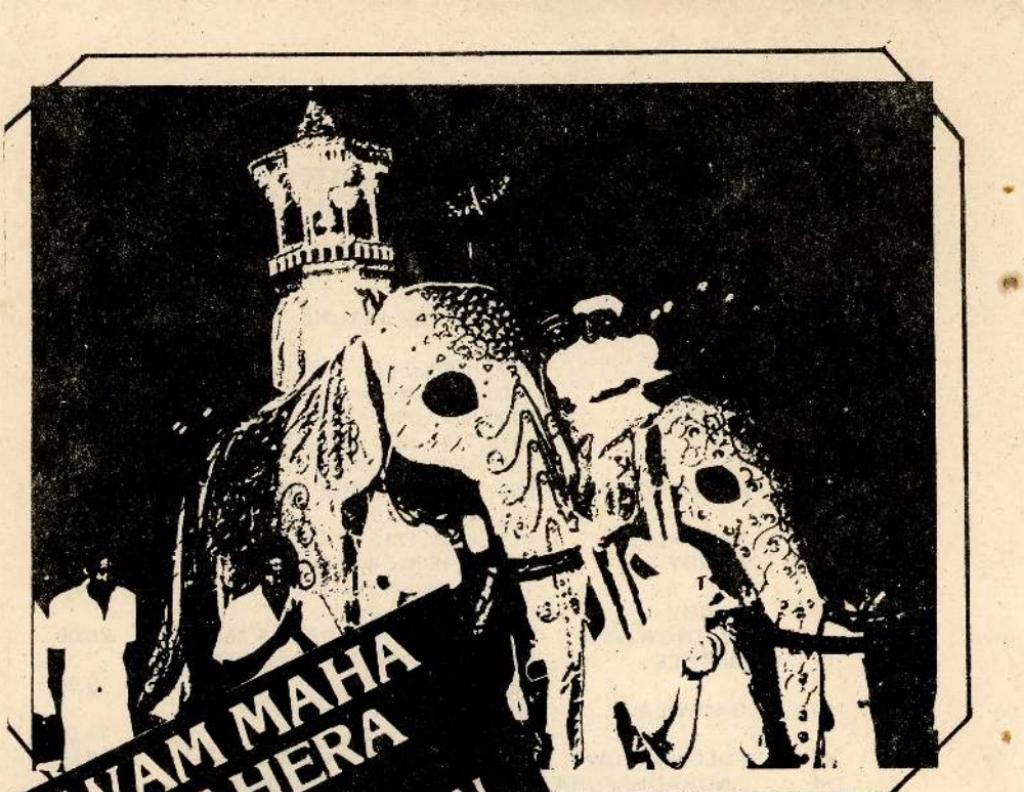
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Here everything is sold off the top of a head from pineapples to pots. Gasp with the rest of the crowd, as a snake charmer coaxes a cobra to do a hypnotic dance. Listen to the cries of "Malu, Malu" from the fish vendor with her languid walk. Go for a train journey which is all at once a circus complete with whirling child acrobats, a bazaar of sweetmeats and a party complete with "Raban" playing and yes, transistors. We hear the ringing calls of "Isso Wade, Isso Wade" from the shrimp cake vendor and "Bole, Bole Bole" from the boiled sweet vendor will stay long in your memory.

Find yourself and each other again on some beach on some poya night when the moon casts long shadows. And did we catch you whistling "Oh, Island in the sun".

Catch British nuances in the spacious lawns of the country clubs and the bluish mists of Nuwara Eliya. Sit on a verandah watching the line of comely Tamil women plucking tea and enjoy the flavour of the world's best tea which is gathered by their nimble fingers. Catch the lingering traces of the successive waves of Portuguese and Dutch influences in people's surnames — Rodrigo, Pereira, Leembrugge, Van Cuylenberg etc. and in Dutch forts in Galle, Matara, Trincomalee and Jaffna.

Gasp as an enormous white Buddha looms into sight from some metropolitan roadway and a sleepy bullock cart is overtaken by a speeding bus. Notice the sunlight glittering off a mosque minaret only to fall on the shoes outside the adjoining Kathiresan Hindu temple. And never forget the axiom — 'tis only a fool who tries to hurry the East'.

Absorb something of Buddhism — a humanistic philosophy permitting a constant choice in conduct and actions which nevertheless must be accounted for, if not in this life, the next reincarnation, or the next . . . . Understand Karuna (compassion) and relief from Dhukka (suffering) caused by over-attachments to objects and people.

Highlights of Anuradhapura where the jungle tide ever encroaches are Isurumuniya Rock Temple, the Brazen Palace and Ruwanvelisaya Dagoba said to have been inspired by a perfect bubble of water. Climb the silent stone steps of Mihintale — the cradle of Buddhism. Watch the prayer flags flutter from the bough of the sacred Bo-tree, the oldest venerated tree in the world.

Feel the breezes of Polonnaruwa fan you as you watch monkeys playing in a sunken lotus bath where a queen once bathed. Visit the ruins of the Royal Palace. Witness the Sinhalese genius for hydraulic engineering in the ancient Irrigation system of tanks, Scale Sigiriya

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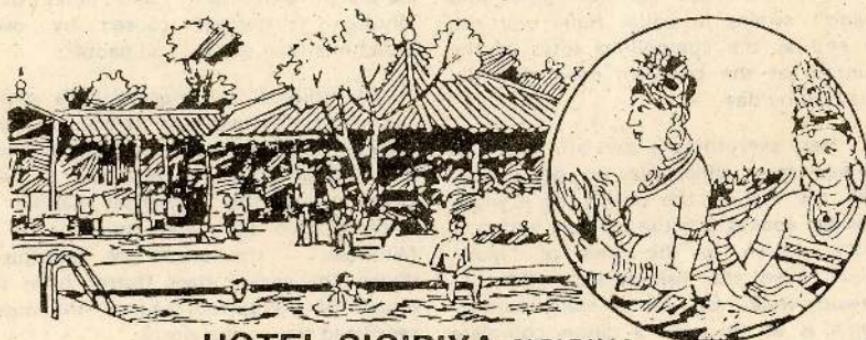
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Can your eyes pick out one green from another. From the acid of paddy fields to the blue green of tea bushes, all vegetation battles to grow just that bit taller, faster and more lush.

The flora of Sri Lanka is the gaudiest and rarest. From the flowering trees which strew the ground with red, pink and white blossoms to the orchids which include the only grey one in the world, your eye has plenty to feast itself on if you appreciate beauty.

Spot wildlife in the 24 National Parks, Strict Natural Reserves and Game Sanctuaries in Sri Lanka most of which are bird sanctuaries. Wilpattu, the leopard sanctuary and Yala the haunt of elephants are the two most famous. Hide by a jungle pool for an elusive glimpse of shy deer or a sleepy crocodile. Admire the clouds of flamingoes staining the skies pink and the peacock flaunting its plumage against some rock.

Notice also the animals and birds which live in harmonious symbiosis with people in the villages and cities. Chase after fragile butterflies like scraps of flying lace. Court her again beside a storm lamp filled with diamante fireflies. Perhaps, like many do, you too would wish to adopt a monkey as a pet.

Master some of the virile stances of Kandyan dance while in Sri Lanka seen at its peak during the August Esala Perahera in Kandy. Interview a Kattadiya (a witch doctor who can exorcise the 18 demons of disease and insanity) about his ancient occult wisdom. Learn of omens. Above all, don't carry any fried foods at night in case you attract the devil!

Wear a grotesque mask representing one of the demons of disease and insanity. Fashioned from soft wood with subtle paints and fierce expressions, each mask will fascinate you with its strange beauty. Ambalangoda, the home of devil dancers is the main centre for these masks.

Discover the thousands of miles of beautiful coastline of Sri Lanka. The West Coast from Bentota to Tangalle is

best for swimming, skin diving, surfing, scuba diving until March when the monsoons arrive. The surfs at Hikkaduwa have to be seen to be believed. So also the beautiful coral formation.

Kalkudah, Pasekudah, Arugam Bay are some of the beaches on the East Coast where one can wade out for nearly a mile to sea from March to October. The Bay of Trincomalee is the most perfect natural harbour of the Indian seas and is capable of accommodating the largest navy now in existence. The South Coast is especially beautiful with its glistening white beaches and sapphire seas.

Marvel at natural curiosities of the sea like the "Hummane" near Tangalle, a blow hole where the great swells of the South West Monsoon shoot geyser like to a height of 60 to 70 feet.

Ratnapura was the fabled City of Gems of Sinbad's time and most probably one of the mines of King Solomon. Today, as in the past, gems are among Sri Lanka's chief exports. Pick a cornflower blue sapphire. The lighter the hue, the less value the sapphire has while the crystal inclusion in the centre of the stone confirms its genuineness. There is also the cat's eye with its perfectly centred golden streak, amethysts, garnets, moonstones, aquamarines, emeralds and of course, the rare star rubies and sapphires.

Jewellery ranges from silver, gold and plated set with precious and semi-precious stones in filigree of plain designs. The vogue today is for the heavy ethnic or barbaric jewellery like the Kandyan chains, bracelets, amulets, pendants, anklets and talismans in oxidised metal and copper pinchbeck, which sets off that little black dress perfectly.

Gather the herb which cures hypertension - incidentally there is less incidence of that in Sri Lanka since the pace is slower. Even cancer is curable with a herb growing wild in cemeteries. While you are about it, purchase a snake stone. Just in case!

See the perfect circle of the net cast by the Negombo fishermen and the Catholic crosses at every junction of a fishing village or in the deep South. At

Weligama, see stilt fishermen perched storklike on poles.

Photograph the flower faces and huge eyes of the loveliest children in the world. Notice the almost abyssinian liveness and dignity of the people and their intense curiosity as to how the other half lives. Their spontaneous warmth and hospitality are seldom found in colder climes.

Uncover the Sri Lanka of ghost stories, jungle stories, estate and elephant tales through their eyes. Share the home-spun gaiety of the Sri Lankan feasts, dances and parties you will attend. Spend nights trying out a rabana or singing popular songs to the accompaniment of a guitar.



## Differences in Time at 1200 hours (Noon) in Colombo

Sri Lanka Standard Time is 5½ hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time. Based on G.M.T. the table below gives the times at the principal cities of the World when it is 1200 hours (noon) in Colombo.

Abu Dhabi	1030	Hamburg	0830	Nice	0830
Amman	0830	Hanoi	1330	Nurenberg	0830
Amsterdam	0830	Helsinki	0930	Osaka	1530
Athens	0930	Hong Kong	1430	Oslo	0830
Atlanta	0230	Houston	0130	Paris	0830
Auckland	1830	Islamabad	1130	Peking (Beijing)	1430
Baghdad	1030	Istanbul	0930	Penang	1430
Bahrain	0930	Jakarta	1330	Perth	1430
Bangkok	1330	Jeddah	0930	Port Moreby	1630
Beijing (Peking)	1430	Johannesburg	0830	Prague	0830
Beirut	0930	Karachi	1130	Rangoon	1300
Belfast	0730	Kathmandu	1215	Rio de Janerio	0330
Berlin (West)	0830	Khartoum	0830	Riyadh	0930
Birmingham	0730	Kuala Lumpur	1430	Rome	0830
Bombay	1200	Kuwait	0930	Salzburg	0830
Bonn	0830	Lahore	1130	San Francisco	2330*
Boston	0230	Lagos	0730	Santiago	0230
Brisbane	1630	Larnaca	0930	Sao Paula	0330
Brussels	0830	Lisbon	0730	Seattle	2330*
Buenos Aires	0330	London	0630	Seoul	1530
Cairo	0930	Los Angeles	2330*	Shanghai	1430
Calcutta	1200	Luxemborg	0830	Singapore	1430
Caracas	0230	Lyon	0830	Sofia	0930
Casablanca	0730	Madras	1200	Stockholm	0830
Chicago	0130	Madrid	0830	Strasbourg	0830
Copenhagen	0830	Male	1130	Stuttgart	0830
Damascus	0930	Manchester	0730	Sydney	1630
Dar es Salaam	0930	Manila	1430	Taipei	1430
Delhi	1200	Marseille	0830	Teheran	1000
Denpasar	1330	Melbourne	1630	Tel Aviv	0930
Dhahran	0930	Milan	0830	Tokyo	1530
Dhaka	1230	Monrovia	0630	Toronto	0230
Doha	0930	Montreal	0230	Tripoli	0830
Dubai	1030	Munich	0830	Tunis	0730
Dublin	0730	Muscat	1030	Vienna	0830
Dusseldorf	0830	Nairobi	0930	Warsaw	0830
Frankfurt	0830	Nantes	0830	Wellington	1830
Geneva	0830	New Orleans	0130	Washington	0230
Glasgow	0730	New York	0230	Zurich	0830

\*Previous Day

# TOURIST INFORMATION



The Travel Information Centres situated at 340-3/1, R.A. de Mel Mawatha, (Duplication Road) Colombo 3; Tel: 575458, 575937 and 321, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 573175 are maintained by the Ceylon Tourist Board to assist tourists by advising them on all aspects of their stay in the island.

The Information Centres are open on weekdays and full moon holidays from 0830 hrs to 1645 hrs. On Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays it is open from 0830 hrs. to 1230 hrs.

The Tourist Board also maintains Information Centres at the Colombo Airport, Katunayake (Tel: 030-2411) and at the Passenger Jetty, Port of Colombo. (Tel: 21807) to serve passengers on all incoming flights and passenger liners.

Complaints could be made to the Director, Tourist Industry Relations, Tel: 580346.

The Information Office at Kandy is at the Travel Information Centre, Ceylon Tourist Board, Kandyan Arts Association Building, 72 Victoria Drive, Kandy. Tel: 08-22661. This centre is open on weekdays and all holidays from 0800 to 1800 hrs.

## MORE FOR YOUR MONEY



Sri Lanka has a unified exchange rate for foreign currencies which floats in response to basic exchange market developments.

As seen by the table below the prevailing rate of exchange offers a higher rate for your money than most other countries.

At the time this edition went to Press the exchange rates of the following currencies were:

### CURRENCY RATES

#### Sri Lankan Rupees

Australian Dollar	24.55
Austrian Schilling (per 10)	23.80
Bahrain Dinnar	83.20
Belgian Franc (per 100)	79.80
Canadian Dollar	25.75
Danish Kroner (per 10)	43.60
Deutsche mark	16.90
Finland Markka (per 10)	68.65
French Franc (per 10)	49.25
Hongkong Dollar (per 10)	40.15
Italian Lira (per 1000)	22.50
Japanese Yen (per 100)	23.30
Kuwait Dinar	110.35
Malaysian Dollar	11.75
Netherlands Guilder	14.85
Norwegian Kroner (per 10)	45.40
Omani Riyal	78.95

#### Currency Rates

	Sri Lanka Rupees
Pound Sterling	53.00
Saudi Rial (per 10)	83.60
Singapore Dollar	15.40
Swedhs Krone (per 10)	48.70
Swiss Franc	19.80
U.A.E. Dirham (per 10)	85.35
U.S. Dollar	32.15

These rates are subject to fluctuation each day. Traveller's Cheques earn slightly more.

Note: These rates apply to all bills paid in foreign currency at hotels, travel agents or shops authorized to accept foreign currency. Certain shops are licensed to transact business in foreign currency only. Foreign currencies other than \$ Sterling, US Dollars, Deutsche Marks and Japanese Yen are not necessarily accepted at provincial banks.

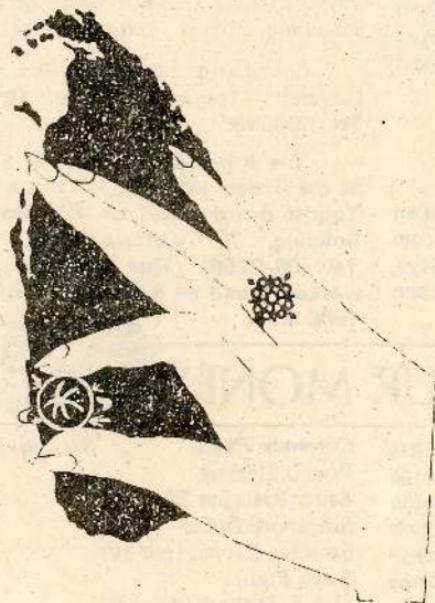
Banking Hours: 0900 hrs. to 1300 hrs. on Monday, and 0900 hrs. to 1330 hrs. from Tuesday to Friday. Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

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(For Issue of Traveller's Cheques only)  
Bank of Ceylon, Air Lanka Counter (Opposite Central Bank, Fort) Open from 0800 hrs to 1645 hrs.

**PEOPLE'S BANK** - Foreign Branch) 27, M.I.C.H. Building, Bristol Street, Colombo 1. Tel. 20651. On Mondays open from 0900 hrs to 1300 hrs. Tuesdays to Fridays from 0900 hrs to 1330 hrs. Closed on weekends and holidays.

**(NIGHT SERVICE UNIT)** People's Bank, (H'Quarters Branch) Sir Chittampalam A. Gardiner, Mawatha, Colombo 2. Tel. 27841, 36948. From Tuesdays to Fridays, open from 1530 hrs to 1900 hrs. on Saturdays 0900 hrs. to 1330 hrs. Closed on Sundays and Mondays.

#### CURRENCY REGULATIONS:

All visitors arriving in Sri Lanka have to declare the amount of foreign currency he/she is bringing in on a detachable slip affixed to the Disembarkation Card which has to be surrendered to Customs on departure.

All unspent monies, which were converted from foreign currencies declared on arrival can be re-converted to original currency.

#### IMPORTANT:

Retain some of your hotel & shopping receipts, specially for gems. These would make reconversion of your currency easy.

#### Sri Lanka Currency:

Sri Lanka has decimal currency system. One Sri Lanka rupee is divided into 100 Sri Lanka cents. Currency notes are in the denominations of Rs. 2/-, Rs. 5/-, Rs. 10/-, Rs. 20/-, Rs. 50/-, Rs. 100/-, Rs. 500/-, and Rs. 1000/-. Denominations are clearly marked in

figures on both sides of notes and stated in English in addition to Sinhala and Tamil. Coins commonly in use are the following denominations; 1 cent, 2 cents, 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents, one rupee, two rupees, five rupees and ten rupees.

#### Credit Card

Many hotels and shops accept reputed Credit and Charge cards. No surcharge should be permitted for its use. Cash advances are possible against credit cards in certain banks.

#### COMPLAINTS



Any complaints with regard to accommodation units should be brought to the notice of the Director Trade Standards, Ceylon Tourist Board. Tel : 581801.

#### REGISTRATION

A national of a non-Commonwealth country who is in possession of a visa for over 30 days or intends to stay in Sri Lanka for a period of over 30 days is required to report forthwith at the Aliens Bureau, 5th Floor, New Secretariat Building, Colombo 1, for the purpose of registration. Compliance with Registration would be one of the requirements for consideration of an application for extension of visa beyond the 30 day period.

#### VISA RULES:

The government of Sri Lanka will take action against visitors to the country who overstay their visas. Hotels and guest houses which harbour such persons are also liable to prosecution.

The warning has been issued by the Ministry of State which is in charge of tourism.

Nationals of over 24 countries are exempt from visa requirements. However, the visa they obtain at the point of entry is formally valid for only 30 days. Such persons, if they wish to stay longer are expected to extend their visa at the Department of Emigration and Immigration, Galle Face, Colombo 1. Tel : 29851-5.

## TOURIST VISAS

Extension of tourist visas is done at the Department of Immigration and Emigration, Galle Buck Road, Colombo 1. Tel: 29851 - 5

## PASSPORT PHOTOS

Most Photographic Studios in Colombo, supply urgent passport size photos for visa and other requirements.

## AIRPORT ENTRY



Entry to the Colombo Airport Katunayake, is restricted to passengers and permit holders. Each passenger is entitled to one visitor permit only at Rs. 25/-.

Tel: 030-2861 to 5

The same rule applies to those wishing to meet incoming passengers.

Permits obtainable at Permit Office situated at approach road to the Airport (Canada Friendship Road) Open 24 hours.

There is also a vehicle parking fee of Rs. 5/- per motor cycle, Rs. 10/- per car,

Rs. 15/- per van or wagon and Rs. 30/- per tourist bus.

## EMBARKATION TAX

Rs. 200.00 - Colombo Airport Katunayake.

Embarkation Tax for Domestic Flights is Rs. 50.00.

## Departure and Transit Lounge

There are several shops in the Transit & Departure Lounge of the Colombo Airport, Katunayake which sell gems, ceramics, handicrafts, batiks, cut-flowers, books and picture postcards of Sri Lanka. Payment is accepted only in Foreign Currency.

## Duty Free Shop

The Duty Free Shop at the Transit & Departure Lounge of the Colombo Airport, Katunayake has an extensive range in well known brands of liquor, tobacco, cigars and cigarettes, hi-fi equipment, wrist watches, cameras, films, perfumes, cosmetics, electrical appliances, cigarette lighters and souvenirs. Payment is accepted only in Foreign Currency.

Passengers arriving in Sri Lanka could also buy their requirements of duty free liquor and cigarettes from the duty free counter which is situated before the health and immigration checkpoints.

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## CUSTOMS FORMALITIES

Visitors are required to re-export articles brought in as personal effects.

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### EXPORTS

A reasonable quantity of purchases made in Sri Lanka out of Foreign currency brought in, can be exported duty free:-

#### Tea

Ceylon tea is considered the best in the world. It is sold everywhere.



The Ceylon Tea Promotion Bureau sells special high quality gift tea packs at their sales points at the Colombo Airport, Katunayake, at the Colombo

Passenger Jetty and the office of the Bureau 574, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Every visitor to Sri Lanka is allowed to take away 3 kilos of Ceylon Tea duty free.

The Ceylon Tea Counter situated at the Lobby of the airport sell the best Ceylon Tea. Packeted tea is available at this counter.

**Note:** Tea could be purchased for local currency, at the airport, only at the Tea Counter in the outer lobby. No local currency is accepted at the Tea Counter within the Transit & Departure Lounge. When leaving Sri Lanka, it is advisable to spend your last few Sri Lanka rupees in buying a gift pack of tea, before you enter the Customs area and Departure Lounge.

#### Duty

The export Duty on tea is Rs. 5.00 per kilo. for quantities in excess of the duty free allowance of 3 kilos.

#### Gems

The export of gems is allowed up to any value provided there is proof that sufficient foreign exchange was brought in to cover their purchase. Receipts should be produced. Gifts of gems could be exported only with permits from the Controller of Exchange, Central Bank,

Colombo 1. The Controller of Imports and Exports, National Mutual Building, Chatham Street, Colombo 1, and the State Gem Corporation, Colombo 3.

## DUTY FREE SHOPPING COMPLEX

This complex is situated at Ramada Renaissance Hotel, 115, Sir Chittampalam A. Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 2. and

caters to foreigners who could purchase items with foreign currency. Foreign nationals could make their selection and payment for the goods at this complex, but the collection of goods will be at 43 special counters set up at the ware house in the Colombo Port Complex (Please refer page 46 for more details)

#### Antiques

No antique could be exported. Also restricted is the export of rare books, palm leaf manuscripts, and rare anthropological material. For the export of rare books and palm leaf manuscripts and antiques (sometimes allowed on special application), permits are necessary from the Director of National Archives and the Archaeological Commissioner, respectively. Articles more than 50 years old are considered antiques.

**Note:** Smuggling of antiques out of the country is an offence which carries penalties. The tourist is advised not to attempt the smuggling of antique statues, ornaments, furniture and palm leaf manuscripts.

## Protected Flora and Fauna in Sri Lanka

Purchase and Export without Licence of any wild animal, bird or reptile dead or



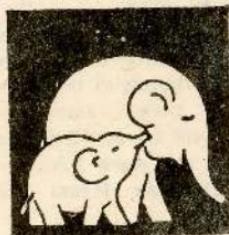
alive; also the export of parts of such animal bird or reptile, such as skins, horns, scales and feathers is prohibited under the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance. Occasional exports are,

however, permitted exclusively for bona fide scientific purposes.

It is prohibited to export any of the following plants without a special permit: Vesak Orchid, Primrose Orchid, Daffodil Orchid, Foxtail Orchid or Batticaloa Orchid, Sphagnum-Moss and Anuradhapura Orchid.

All applications for the export of Fauna and Flora should be made to the Director, Department of Wild Life Conservation, Transworks House, Lower Chatham Street, Colombo 1. (Tel: 34040). **Elephant Orphanage — Pinnawela**

The Department of National Zoological Gardens has set up an orphanage for baby elephants at Pinnawela which is about 13 km. from Kegalle town, on the Kegalle - Rambukkana road.



Kegalle is 77 km. from Colombo on the Colombo - Kandy road and the turn off to the orphanage is at the Karandupuna Junction.

The orphanage was established to feed, nurse and house young elephants found abandoned by their mothers. Often the young ones fall into pits and ravines in their quest for water during drought period. Other inmates at the orphanage are those displaced from their natural environs by development projects or those found diseased or wounded.

The orphanage is 13 years old. The animals that were brought during the initial years are now capable of breeding and have in fact bred. For additional information Tel: 71-2751, 2, 3.

## HOLIDAYS

Sri Lanka has a five day week. In addition to Saturdays and Sundays and special Public Holidays, the full moon (Poya) day of each month is a public holiday. All places of entertainment (including cinemas) and bars are closed on Poya day. Hotels make special arrangements for customers to order their drinks the day before a Poya Holiday.

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## PERMITS FOR PHOTOGRAPHING FILMING & RECORDING

Tourist who wish to visit and/or photograph the principal ancient monuments in Sri Lanka are required to obtain a ticket from the Department of Archaeology.



A single round ticket for one month will cost Rs. 360/- or US\$ 12 per adult and half rate per child.

This will entitle the holder to: (1) View historic monuments in all parts of Sri Lanka. (2) Photograph ancient monuments where photography is permitted and in a manner which does not cause disrespect to the monument or affect religious susceptibilities (3) Entry to all archaeological museums.

There will be separate charges at each site for those who do not obtain round tickets. The cost of entry tickets to Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa or Sigiriya is Rs. 120/- or US\$ 4 per adult and half-rate per child per site, while to Dambulla, Kandy or Nalanda it is Rs. 82 or US\$ 3 per adult and half rate per child. Flash guns are necessary for photography at the Cave Temple in Dambulla.

Tickets are available at the office of the Cultural Triangle Fund, 212, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7. Tel: 587912, and at the Archaeological Museum, Anuradhapura, and the Archaeological Offices at Polonnaruwa and Sigiriya.

These permits will not cover photography at the temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, Kandy and the Aukana Temple.

**Kandy: Temple of the Tooth Relic**  
Rs. 25/- per still camera while other

cameras are not permitted. Permits are obtainable daily at Temple entrance. Only authorised guides attached to the Temple are permitted, within the Shrine.



*Note: Entry to the Temple is presently restricted for security reasons.*

### Aukana:

The Permit could be obtained at the temple premises.

Remember that in Sri Lanka Buddhism is a living religion and most ancient monuments are still venerated. Photography should not be done in a manner causing disrespect to the shrines, images or monuments. Posing of models in front of statues and paintings is prohibited.

### Rubbings:

The taking of rubbings of sculpture at protected monuments is generally discouraged. It is allowed only with prior authority. Obtain permission from the Archaeological Office in Colombo or at the site.

### Temple Entry:

All visitors to Buddhist and Hindu temples are expected to be unshod and have their heads uncovered.



Buddhists do not object to visitors offering flowers at the feet of the Buddha. If you wish to make any donation or contribution put it

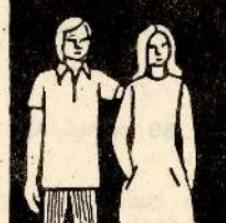
into a till in the temple.

You may not be allowed entry to the inner sanctuaries of Hindu temples.

It is best to be decently clad when visiting any place of worship. Sun and beach wear is not the ideal for temples and shrines. Briefs, shorts, bare shoulders and backs may not be appreciated. You need not be stiff and overdressed. Just comfortable and decently covered.

## WHAT TO WEAR — GENERAL

Light cotton dresses of the drip-dry, wash-and-wear variety and light-weight suits are the most comfortable year round attire.



A wide-brimmed beach hat and sun-glasses are recommended. Slippers or sandals will be more comfortable than shoes. Medium weight

slacks and pullovers will be necessary in the hill country where the temperature can go down to as low as 50° F (10° C).

## BARS — LICENSING HOURS

The serving of alcoholic drinks in public bars and restaurants is restricted from 1100 to 1400 and 1700 to 2300 hrs. Most hotel bars and restaurants also observe these hours. These restrictions do not apply to private clubs, where tourists can obtain temporary membership.

## FILM PROCESSING

**Foto Quik** — Colour Laboratory, 300, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 549479  
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### Branches/Collection Centres

**Hirdaramani Arcade** 65, Chatham Street, Colombo 1, **Ladybird Associates**, 37, Galle Road, Bambalapitiya. **Birdsnest Trading Company**, 35, Old Kesbewa Road, Nugegoda. **Studio Castle**, Trincomalee. **Olympic Smart House**, 235, Galle Road, Dehiwela. **Photo Ciny**, 29, Bristol Street, Fort, Colombo 1. **Colour Film Company**, 6, Super Market, Main Street, Beruwela. **Pasha's**, 2/5, Galle Road, North Bentota Bridge, Alutgama.

### Main Collecting Centres

**Salaka Trade Centre**, No. 454, Union Place, Colombo 2., No. 46/32, Olcott Mawatha, Colombo 11. **Salaka Colour Foto**, No. 78, Galle Road, Colombo 4. **Ediri Photo**, No. 26, K. L. Main Street, Colombo 1. **John & Co. Ltd.**, No. 24, Dharmapala Mawatha Colombo 7. **Regis Associates**, No. 185, R. A. De Mel Mawatha, Colombo 3. **Studio Durst Intra Photo**, No. 95A, Chatham Street, Colombo 1. **Colombo Studio**, No. 139, Kumaran Ratnam Road, Colombo 2.

### Camera Repairs

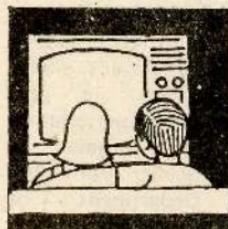
**Studio Durst**, 95A, Chatham Street, Fort, Colombo 1. (Tel: 28802) also does repairs on electronic and mechanical cameras.

## ELECTRICITY

230 — 240 volts 50 cycles A.C.

## TELEVISION

**ITN**: Transmission starts at 6.30 p.m. on Monday to Fridays and closes



down at approximately 10.45 p.m. Most of the programmes are in English. News in English is at 9.30 p.m. On Saturdays and Sundays transmission starts at 6.00 p.m. There is also a transmission

on Saturday and Sunday mornings. On Saturday transmission commences at 8.30 a.m. and ends around 11.30 a.m. While on Sunday transmission commences at 11.00 a.m. and ends at 1.30 p.m.

**Rupavahini**: Transmission starts at 5.00 p.m. daily and closes down at approximately 11.15 p.m. The Children's Programme is between 5.00 and 6.00 p.m. There are news telecasts at 5.00 p.m. in Sinhala, 6.30 p.m. in Tamil, 8.00 p.m. in Sinhala again, 9.00 p.m. in English (Local) and 9.10 p.m. English (Foreign), and a late night news bulletin before close of transmission. There is also a transmission on Saturdays from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. While on Sundays transmission commences at 1.30 p.m. and continues till around 11.30 p.m.

**Note**: There are special telecasts on Rupavahini to cover important functions or events. Please refer to the daily newspapers for the day's programme.

## TIPPING

Tipping is optional. It is left to the customer to tip if he is satisfied with service. Most hotels and restaurants include a service charge of 10% in any bill. In the event of your wishing to give a tip, about 10 per cent of the bill is generally considered a fair tip. For Bell Boys and Porters Rs. 3/- per heavy bag is fair.

## TOUTS

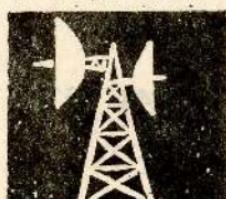
Beware of touts. Avoid them. Do not accept their offer to give more for your foreign currency. You may end up committing an offence and losing your money as well. Do not accept their offers to lead you to shops which give you special bargains. The goods may be inferior and you may end up paying more than you should, for the tout's bargain.

## TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE TELEX & COURIER SERVICES

Cross Point Communication Services, 301A, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 575164, 575355 & 575337 for instant and clear Telex, Facsimile and I.D.D. phone connections (see advertisement below).

International telegraph, telex and telephone services are available at the Central Telegraph Office, Duke Street, Colombo 1. Tel: 27176.

Direct telephone services via satellite are available day and night on all days, to UK., Australia, Singapore, Malaysia, Hongkong, Italy, People's Republic of China, Japan and India, and through transit facilities to almost all parts of the world.



Inland

Colombo and many provincial towns (such as Kandy, Galle Bentota) are linked by direct dial telephone service.

Each provincial exchange where direct dialling facilities are available has a Code number, which precedes the subscriber's number. The code for Colombo is 01. Kandy is 08. When dialling within the same exchange do not dial the code.

*Example:* From Kandy to Travel Information Centre Colombo Tel: 01 - 589586. Within Colombo 589586. From Colombo to Tourist Information Office Kandy 08 - 22661: Within Kandy 22661.

Trunk calls have to be booked through the Exchange to reach towns not linked by direct dialling. For trunk bookings in Colombo area 101. Refer directory for number in other areas.

### Courier Services

Sky Courier International, Represented by Global Courier Services (Pte) Ltd, 298, R.A. de Mel Mawatha, Colombo 3. Tel: 574682, 573077. (see advertisement on page 10)

Airborne Express, Represented by Speed Courier International (Pte) Ltd. 64 Lauries Road, Colombo 4. Tele: 500971, 502141 (see advertisement on page: 30)



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## Postal



For information on postal rates contact, the General Post Office, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 92271, Inquiries and Poste Restante Tel: 26203

Fee Rs. 225/- for full day. Additional fee Rs. 25/- per day if the tour is to be conducted in French, German, Japanese Spanish, Russian or any other foreign language other than English.

## Philatelic Bureau

The Sri Lanka Philatelic Bureau 4th Floor, Ceylinco House, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. has an exhibition and sales outlet for all Sri Lanka stamps, first day covers, special issues, etc., of interest to the philatelist. Tel: 26163, 26177, 25588.

## TOURIST GUIDE LECTURERS

Trained Registered Guide Lecturers carry Identity Cards by the Ceylon Tourist Board. They could be hired through the Travel Information Centre. Tel: 589585-6 or Approved Travel Agents or President, Tourist Guide Lecturer Association. Tel: 598346 between 0900 hrs & 1600 hrs. and 713675 at other times.

# TRANSPORT

## ROAD

Sri Lanka has a good network of metalled roads connecting all principal towns and places of tourist interest. Your travel agent will be able to arrange for a good three or four seater car (air-conditioned, if necessary) with experienced chauffeur-guide. Mini-buses and coaches for larger groups are also available.

Traffic circulation is on the left.

## AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Transfers from the International Airport to Colombo and Negombo are handled by approved transport and travel agents at the following rates:

Airport to Colombo - Rs. 350/- non-AC and Rs. 400/- AC. This fare is for four persons travelling in one car. Air-Conditioned vehicles cost more.



A train service also operates from the Airport to the city and vice versa. For details refer page 25.

## HIRING VEHICLES CARS

Depending on make of vehicle. The rates for non-AC cars range from Rs. 6.00 to Rs. 6.75 and for AC cars from Rs. 7.00 to Rs. 7.25 per running km. to a minimum of 80 or 100 km. Depending on the vehicle, the drivers allowance is about Rs. 50/- per day.

## COACHES

The rates for non-AC coaches range from Rs. 11/- to Rs. 24/- and for AC coaches, from Rs. 15/- to Rs. 27/- per running km. to a minimum of 80 or 100 km. The drivers allowance ranges from Rs. 50/- to Rs. 60/- per day.

## SELF DRIVE CARS

The rates for non-AC range from Rs. 280/- to Rs. 400/- and AC from Rs. 500/- to Rs. 600/- per day up to a minimum of 80 km or 100 km. For excess mileage from Rs. 4/- to Rs. 4.50 per running kilometre.

## TAXIS

Available in Colombo and most other principal towns. Most taxis have yellow tops. Usual rate per km. Rs. 14.00. Three Wheeler "Auto Shaws" are available in Colombo where the prices range from Rs. 12/- to Rs. 15/- per km. Ace Radio Cab offer radio controlled cabs from a central point and offer customers a standard computerised rate of Rs. 12/- per km. Tel: 501502 - 3 - 4.

All taxis have meters. Do not pay any sum at variance with meter. Before you begin the journey ensure the "flag" of meter is down with the reading at Cents 1.40. The number of the taxi is displayed for your convenience on windscreen of vehicle. Should a driver demand a fare at variance with meter, report it, with number of vehicle, date and time to Tourist Police (Tel: 26941) or nearest Police Station.

## BUS

The Sri Lanka Central Transport Board maintains an Island-wide network of bus services. The rates are the cheapest in the world. Express bus services are available to all principal towns. Seats could be booked in advance, except during certain festival seasons. For information: Central Transport Board, Tel: 29604 - 5. Central Bus Station Olcott Mawatha, Colombo 11. Tel: 28081.

## RAIL

The Sri Lanka Government Railway serves all important tourist destinations in the island. Towns served from Colombo include Kandy, Nanu Oya (Nuwara Eliya), Bandarawela, Hikkaduwa, Galle, Matara, Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa, Negombo, Bentota and Batticaloa.

**Accommodation:** Two classes - 2nd and 3rd - on long distance trains. 1st class - advance bookings - only on trains with sleeping berths, aircon-

ditioned coaches and observation saloons. For groups of 20 to 35 - a diesel de luxe coach is available.

**Contact:** For information and bookings - Railtours - Fort Railway Station, Colombo 1. Tel: 35838. Railway Information Centre, Colombo Airport, Katunayake. Tel: 0315-260. Open 0800 to 1630 hrs daily (except 1200 to 1300 hrs). Also: Station Superintendents, Fort Railway Station Colombo. Tel: 21281 Ext. 389.

Railway Time-table to important tourist destinations is found on page 23.

## SELF DRIVE

Avis, Hertz, Inter Rent, American International, Toyota Rent-a-Car Services are available in Sri Lanka.

## REPRESENTATIVES

### AVIS RENT A CAR

MACKINNONS TRAVELS LTD. 4, Leyden Bastian Road, Colombo. Tel: 29881/546503. Cables: MACKTRAVEL Telex: 21124 MAKINON CE 21936 MAKINON CE. Managing Director Mr. T.T. Molligoda. Licensee for Avis in Sri Lanka. Self-Drive and Chauffeur Drive Vehicles available. Ceylon Tourist Board Licence No. 59.

**Hertz Rent A Car:** Self drive or chauffeured vehicles. Hertz/American Express/Mastercharge cards accepted. Reservations worldwide. Quickshows Ltd., 3 Kalinga Place, Colombo 5. Tel: 583133 - 4-5/582995. Cable: "HERTZCARS". Telex: 21267 Quicktur CE.

**Inter Rent, American International** - Mercantile Tours (Ceylon) Limited, 586, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 585268, 500463, 500688, 500578/9 Hotel Ceylon Intercontinental: 21221. Hotel Holiday Inn: 22001.

**Toyota Rent-a-Car** - Ebert Silva Touring Company Limited, P. O. Box 11, Dehiwela, Tel: 71 - 3356, 71 - 7854, 71 - 2994.

**Travel Time** - Rent-a-Car, 10, Galle Face Court 1, Colombo 3. Tel: 20779.

## CARNET

Information on import of vehicles under carnet, driving licences, condition of roads, etc. from Automobile Association of Ceylon, 40, Sri Macan Markar Mawatha, Galle Face, Colombo 3. Tel: 21528.

## DOMESTIC FLIGHTS AND AIR CHARTERS

**Air Taxis Limited**, (A subsidiary of the Maharaja Organisation Limited) Airport Road, Ratmalana. Tel: 717216.

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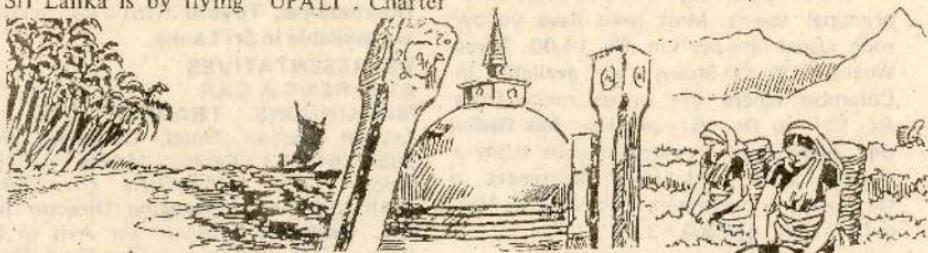
**UPALI AVIATION (PTE) LTD.**, 34, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 28826/29399/20465, Ratmalana Airport, Ratmalana. Tel: 71-3301/71-3024, Tlx: 21198 UPALICO CE. Managing Director: Mr. James H. Lanerolle, General Manager: Mr. Hugh Dassanayake. The fastest and most convenient way to get around Sri Lanka is by flying "UPALI". Charter

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#### HELIPADS

Colombo: Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental, Galle Face Hotel, Pegasus Reef Hotel.

Kandy: Hotel Suisse, Hunas Falls Hotel, Hotel Topaz.



## MEDICAL SERVICES

State owned hospitals in all parts of the island provide free medical and surgical attention. The principal hospitals in the island are the General Hospital, Regent Street, Colombo 8. Tel: 91111, 93510. (Ambulance Tel: 22222).

General Hospital, Kandy, Tel: 08-22261, 22170.

Colombo South Hospital, Kalubowila, Dehiwela. Tel: 71-2261, 7963, 7240.

General Hospital, Negombo. Tel: 031-2261, 2488.

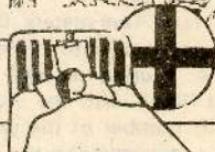
General Hospital, Galle. Tel: 09-2261.

There are also Private Hospitals such as:—

**Asiri Hospitals Limited**, 181, Kirula Road, Colombo 5. Tel: 588267, 500608, 500612.

**Nawaloka Hospitals Limited**, 23, Sri Saugathodaya Mawatha, Colombo 2. Tel: 546258, 544444-8.

**The Central Hospital**, Horton Place, Colombo 7. Tel: 596411.



Durdans Hospital, Kollupitiya, Colombo 3. Tel: 575205, 575206.

Ratnam's Private Nursing Home, Union Place, Colombo 2. Tel: 27788.

Grandpass Nursing Home, Colombo 14. Tel: 22184.

Joseph Frazer Memorial Nursing Home, Colombo 5. Tel: 588466

Kandy Nursing Home, Kandy. Tel: 08-23111

General Hospital Galle. Tel: 09-2261. There are also private Hospitals where medical and surgical attention could be obtained for payment.

Medical Clinics such as **Glass House**, Edinburgh Crescent, Colombo 7. Tel: 93398. **Diagnofirm**, Kynsey Road, Colombo 8. Tel: 91627. **Medicheks**, 383, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 575273. **Medilab Laboratory Services**, 155, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 7. Tel: 34702. **Healthcare Laboratories Limited**, 108-1/1, Horton Place, Colombo 7. Tel: 596984 carry out laboratory tests, X-ray, Cardiographs and other investiga-

tions. Consultation with specialist consultants could be arranged at these clinics for fees from Rs. 60/-.

Pharmacies stock most brands of medicines prescribed by doctors. **Osu Sala** the state owned pharmacy at Lipton Circus, Colombo, Tel: 94716 is open 24 hours. There is an **Osu Sala** branch at Bambalapitiya, Colombo 4. Tel: 587128 open till 7 p.m. and Main Street, Fort, open till 5.30 p.m. Restricted drugs are not dispensed without prescription. The

leading department stores such as **Cargills** and **Millers** in Fort, Colombo 1, have well-stocked drugs departments. Other good pharmacies are **I.C. Drug Stores**, Bambalapitiya, Colombo 4, Tel: 581770. **The City Dispensary**, Colombo 2. Tel: 595897. **Union Chemists**, Union Place, Colombo 2, Tel: 92532. **Multi Pharma**, 93, New Bullers Road, Bambalapitiya, Tel: 580289, 584007. **Lanka Medical Stores**, Kandy and **Sri Lanka Pharmacy**, Kandy.

## MUSEUMS

The Department of National Museums maintain four Museums devoted to the study and display of objects of cultural artistic and scientific interest pertaining to Sri Lanka's pre-history, archaeology, anthropology, zoology, entomology, geology and paleontology. Museum publications are on sale at all National Museums.

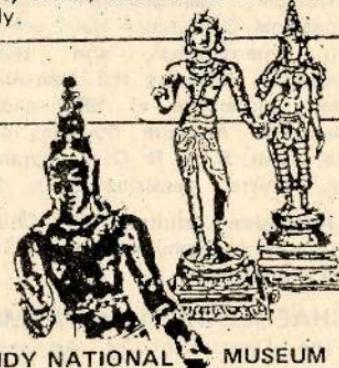
### COLOMBO NATIONAL MUSEUM

Albert Crescent, Colombo 7. Tel 94767 Established 1877. Best known for collection of antiques and objects d'art. Over 500,000 publications on Sri Lanka. More than 4,000 palm leaf manuscripts. Among the exhibits are the regalia of the King of Kandy; ancient and medieval jewellery; rare collection of traditional demon masks; wood and ivory carvings; an exquisite collection of Buddhist and Hindu bronzes, specially from Polonnaruwa Period; reproductions of temple frescoes; Chinaware including VOC plates of the Dutch period antique furniture; lacquered objects; ornate brass, bronze and silver objects; stone sculpture and lithic inscriptions.

For the visitor on a short tour, unable to visit the ancient cities of Sri Lanka, a visit to the Colombo Museum will give an idea of the history of the country and its people.

### DUTCH PERIOD MUSEUM, PETTAH COLOMBO

This building has been completely restored by a special Restoration Society with assistance from Netherlands. A special exhibition on Sri Lanka during Dutch times from the Amsterdam Historical Museum is at present being held while the work on the permanent displays is in progress. Tel: 548466/547002.



### KANDY NATIONAL MUSEUM

Behind the Temple of the Tooth Relic. Housed in part of old palace. Collections are all of Kandyan period (16th - 18th centuries) and include jewellery, textiles and clothes, arms and weapons, ritual objects, ivory carvings, pottery. A library is maintained for approved readers and researchers. Tel: 08 - 23867.

### RATNAPURA NATIONAL MUSEUM

Opposite Ceylon Transport Board Depot, Ratnapura. Of special interest is its collections of pre-historic objects and vertebrate fossils of Rhinoceros, Hippopotamus and Elephant, collected from the gem pits of Ratnapura District - the gem mining area of the island. Also jewellery, textiles, flags, gems and semi-precious stones. A library for approved readers and researchers is also available. Tel: 045 - 2451.

### FOLK MUSEUM ANURADHAPURA

Within Sacred City near Archaeological Museum. It houses a collection of objects reflecting rural life in the North Central Province. Tel: 025 - 2589.

**Hours Open:** All National Museums (Colombo, Kandy & Ratnapura) and the Folk Museum, Anuradhapura are open from 0900 hrs to 1700 hrs. except on Fridays.

**Admission:** Rs. 25/- adults; Rs. 10/- children (Foreign)

**Photography:** Rs. 10/- with no special facilities. The use of special equipment to photography or video cassette museum exhibits is prohibited without prior permission from the Director.

**Guides:** Guides could be engaged at the National Museums by prior arrangement, free of charge.

#### BANDARANAIKE MUSEUM

BMICH (Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall) venue of major international and regional conferences, including the Non-Aligned Summit Conference of 1976 and the **Bandaranaike Museum** housing memorabilia of Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, Prime Minister, assassinated in 1959.

**Admission:** Adults Rs. 2/-, Children Rs. 1/-. Photography permitted. Guides free of charge.

#### ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUMS

The Department of Archaeology maintains archaeological museums at Anuradhapura, Kandy, Sigiriya, Polonnaruwa, Jaffna, Panduwasnuwara, Amparai, Yapahuwa and Dedigama.

**Open:** on all days except Tuesdays from 0800 hrs to 1700 hrs.

Publications on respective archaeological sites available for sale.

**Photography:** Permit from Commissioner of Archaeology, Department of Archaeology, Sir Marcus Fernando Mawatha, Colombo 7. Tel: 94727.

#### GEMS

#### THE GEMMOLOGICAL MUSEUM

At Ratnapura (6 Ehelepola Mawatha, Batugedera, Ratnapura) established by Mr. A. G. B. Amarasinghe, Consultant Gemmologist and Professional Collector, has a rare collection of gems, precious minerals and other specimens. It also has a special display of traditional and creative Jewellery.

#### NILANI GEM MUSEUM

Housed at Nilani Gem Exports, 12, Bandaranayake Mawatha, Ratnapura. A complete museum displaying the gems, gem bearing gravel and precious stones of Sri Lanka. Rare finds, natural facets, traditional jewellery. Demonstrations of modern and traditional lapidary skills. Tel: 045 - 2407, 2666. Arrangements for visits could also be made through 94996 Colombo.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND INFORMATION



#### BUDDHISM:

Information on Buddhism and meditation could be obtained from the following places:—

1. The Buddhist Information Centre, 50, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, (Green Path), Colombo 7. Tel: 23079.
2. The Buddhist Centre, 7, Buddhist Centre Road, Colombo 10. Tel: 595216.
3. The All Ceylon Buddhist Congress, 380, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7.
4. The Bhikku Training Centre, Gangaramaya, 61, Sri Jinaratana Road, Colombo 2. (Classes are conducted for foreigners in French, German and English).
5. The Buddhist Publication Society, 54, Sangharaja Mawatha, Kandy. Tel: 08-23679.

Books on Buddhism could also be obtained from these places.

#### HINDUISM

The Hindu Kovils found in the city are enumerated below:—

1. Sri Ponnambala — Vaneswarar Kovil at Korteboam Street, Kochchikade — built entirely of granite imported from South India.
2. Sri Bala Selva Vinayagar Moorthy Kovil at Captain's Garden, off D. R. Wijewardena Mawatha — has shrines dedicated to Shiva and Ganesh.
3. Sri Siva Subramania Swami Kovil at Kew Road, Slave Island — used by Indian soldiers during the time of the British.

4. Sri Muthumariamma Kovil at Kotahena — dedicated to a Hindu Goddess of healing.
5. The new and old Kathiresan Kovils at Sea Street — dedicated to Skanda, the God of war and victory.
6. Two Kathiresan Kovils on Galle Road at Bambalapitiya.

Information on Hinduism could also be obtained from Ramakrishna Mission International Culture Centre, Ramakrishna Road, Colombo 6. Tel : 584029.

## ISLAM

The following mosques are found in the city :—

1. Grand Mosque at New Moor Street.
2. Maradana Mosque at the Zahira College premises.
3. Devatagaha Mosque at De Soysa Circus.
4. The Mosque at Mutuwal.
5. The Kollupitiya Mosque at Duplication Road, Colombo 3.
6. The Bambalapitiya Mosque at Bauddhaloka Mawatha near the Galle Road Junction.
7. The Borah Mosque at 4th Cross Street, Pettah.
8. The Military Mosque and Akbar Mosque at Slave Island.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Mass for Roman Catholics and Services for Non-Catholic Denominations such as Anglican (Church of Ceylon, earlier Church of England), Presbyterian, Dutch Reformed, Baptist, Pentecostal and Seventh Day Adventist are held regularly. Listed below are the Sunday Services held in English. For services held mid-week, telephone respective church for information.

### ROMAN CATHOLIC

Sunday Mass in English, for residents in Colombo.

1. St. Philip Neri's Church — 157, Olcott Mawatha, Colombo 11. Tel : 21367  
Mass at 9.00 a.m., 11.00 a.m., 12.10 p.m., 5.15 p.m. & 6.30 p.m.
2. St. Mary's Church — Lauries Road, Colombo 4. Tel : 588745  
Mass at 7.00 a.m., 8.00 a.m. & 6.00 p.m.
3. St. Lawrence's Church — Galle Road, Colombo 6. Tel : 581549  
Mass at 6.00 a.m., 7.30 a.m. & 6.00 p.m.

For Residents in Dehiwela, Mount Lavinia

1. St. Mary's Church — Galle Road, Dehiwela Tel : 71-5407  
Mass at 6.00 a.m., 7.30 p.m. & 6.00 p.m.

### ANGLICAN

Formerly Church of England, now Church of Ceylon. Sunday Holy Communion Services in English. For residents in Colombo.

1. St. Peter's Church (Mission To Seamen) — No. 26, Church Street, Colombo 1. Tel : 22510. Service at 7.30 a.m.
2. Christ Church — Galle Face, Tel : 25166  
Services at 7.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m. & 6.00 p.m.
3. St. Michael's and All Angels — No. 1, Cameron Place, Colombo 3. Tel : 23456  
Services at 6.00 a.m., 7.30 a.m., 12.00 noon & 5.30 p.m.
4. Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour — No. 368/3, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7. Tel : 596363. Services at 8.00 a.m. & 5.30 p.m.
5. St. Paul's Milagiriya — No. 299, Galle Road, Colombo 4. Tel : 588712.  
Services at 6.00 a.m., 7.30 a.m. & 5.30 p.m.

For residents in Dehiwela.

1. Christ Church — Galle Road, Dehiwela. Tel : 71 - 7589  
Services at 7.15 a.m. & 5.30 p.m.

For residents in Mount Lavinia

1. Church of St. Francis of Assisi — Hotel Road, Mount Lavinia. Tel: 71-2472  
Services at 6.00 a.m., 7.30 a.m. (except 3rd Sunday of Month)

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD

No. 4, Sixth Lane, Colombo 3.

Worship Services on Sunday at 7.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. On Thursday 6.00 p.m. —  
Miracle Prayer Night Service.

## PRESBYTERIAN (CHURCH OF SCOTLAND)

English services on Sunday for residents in Colombo.

1. St. Andrew's Scots Kirk — Steuart Place, Colombo 3. Tel: 23765  
Service at 6.30 p.m.

## DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH

English Services on Sunday for residents in Colombo.

1. Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya — No. 724, Galle Road, Colombo 3.  
(Bambalapitiya Junction) Tel: 580454. Service at 9.30 a.m.
2. Dutch Reformed Church, Wellawatte — No. 363, Galle Road, Colombo 6.  
Tel: 580454. Service at 5.00 p.m.

For residents in Dehiwela and Mount Lavinia.

1. Dutch Reformed Church, Dehiwela — Station Road, Dehiwela. Tel: 71-7122  
Services at 7.15 a.m. and 5.15 p.m.

## METHODIST CHURCH

English Services on Sunday, for residents in Colombo.

1. Methodist Church, Kollupitiya — No. 6, Station Road, Colombo 3. (Colpetty Junction), Tel: 23033. Services at 8.15 a.m. & 5.30 p.m.
2. Methodist Church, Wellawatte — No. 10, First Chapel Lane, Colombo 6.  
Tel: 585970. Services at 8.45 a.m. & 5.00 p.m.

For residents in Dehiwela and Mount Lavinia.

1. Methodist Church, Mount Lavinia — 29, Hotel Road, Mount Lavinia. Tel: 71-3890.  
Service at 7.30 a.m.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Services in English of Sunday

1. Baptist Church, Cinnamon Gardens — 120, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 7.  
Tel: 595153. Service at 10.00 a.m.

## PENTECOSTAL MISSION SERVICES

1. Mission — No. 41, Greenpath, Colombo 3. Tel: 27923.  
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COLOMBO FORT		KANDY		NANU OYA		BADULLA	
dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.
Daily	—	05 55	08 54	05 00	11 10	16 16	—
Daily	—	09 45	—	09 06	13 21	17 00	—
Daily	—	—	—	—	15 33	18 51	—
Daily	—	10 15	13 32	—	—	—	—
Daily	—	13 30	16 34	—	—	—	—
Daily	—	16 20	19 20	—	—	—	—
Daily	—	20 15	23 55	—	03 47	07 48	—
BADULLA		NANU OYA		KANDY		COLOMBO FORT	
dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.
Daily	05 55	09 31	13 45	—	15 28	—	—
Daily	08 50	12 39	16 45	17 10	20 20	—	—
Daily	—	—	—	06 50	10 05	—	—
Daily	—	—	—	10 00	13 00	—	—
Daily	—	—	—	15 30	18 55	—	—
Daily	10 00	15 37	21 30	—	—	06 15	—
Daily	18 15	22 34	03 16	—	—	—	—
COLOMBO FORT		POLONNARUWA		POLONNARUWA		COLOMBO FORT	
dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.	dep.	arr.
Daily	06 05	12 02	06 00	—	—	11 48	—
Daily	11 30	17 10	13 45	—	—	19 45	—

ANURADHAPURA

MARADANA  
(COLOMBO)

dep.

arr.

Daily 05 50

dep.

09 50

arr.

ANURADHAPURA

MARADANA  
(COLOMBO)

dep.

20 30

arr.

ANURADHAPURA

FORT  
(COLOMBO)

dep.

13 12

19 00

arr.

ANURADHAPURA

FORT  
(COLOMBO)

dep.

09 41

19 15

arr.

Daily  
Daily

05 05  
14 15

09 41  
19 15

arr.

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COLOMBO FORT		BENTOTA		HIKKADUWA		GALLE		MATARA	
	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	
Daily	07 30	08 24	08 25	09 18	09 36	09 39	11 05		
On Saturday, Sunday	08 45	10 15	10 16	10 55	11 10	11 14	13 00		
Daily (except Saturdays & Sundays)	13 30	15 10	15 11	15 54	16 15	16 20	18 00	O.S. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Class	
Daily	15 45	17 13*	17 14	17 56	17 57	18 15	19 30		
Daily (except Sunday)	16 47	18 21	18 22	19 22	19 23	20 00	—		
Daily	17 17	19 28	19 29	20 26	20 27	21 03	—		
Daily	18 45	20 30	20 31	21 28	21 29	22 05	—		
* Aluthgama									
MATARA	dep		GALLE		HIKKADUWA		BENTOTA		COLOMBO FORT
	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	
Daily (except Sunday)	—	—	03 50	04 11	04 12	05 09	05 10	07 15	
Sunday only	—	—	04 40	05 14	05 15	06 11	06 12	08 31	
Daily (except Sunday)	—	—	05 00	05 33	05 34	06 31	06 32	08 09	
Daily (except Sat., Sun.)	05 50	06 40	06 44	07 17	07 18	07 59*	08 00	09 15	O.S. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Class
Daily	07 05	08 08	08 13	08 45	08 46	09 41	09 42	10 47	
Daily	—	—	07 50	08 07	08 08	08 44	08 15	09 50	
Daily	—	—	08 40	09 15	09 16	10 30	10 31	12 30	
Daily	13 25	14 56	—	—	—	—	17 40	19 36	
Daily	15 57	17 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	
* Aluthgama									
COLOMBO FORT	dep		INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT		COLOMBO FORT		COLOMBO FORT		
	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	dep	arr.	
Daily	05 10	06 45	07 40	08 55					
Daily (except Saturday, Sunday)	05 26	07 32	08 40	09 53	Maradana				
Saturday & Sunday only	—	—	08 40	09 53	Maradana				
Daily	15 10	16 42	17 57	19 12	Maradana				

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06 55	09 30		15 00	17 30
15 35	18 05		06 30	09 00

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dep	arr	arr	dep	dep	arr
08.45	14 25	16 15	06 15	08 00	13 30

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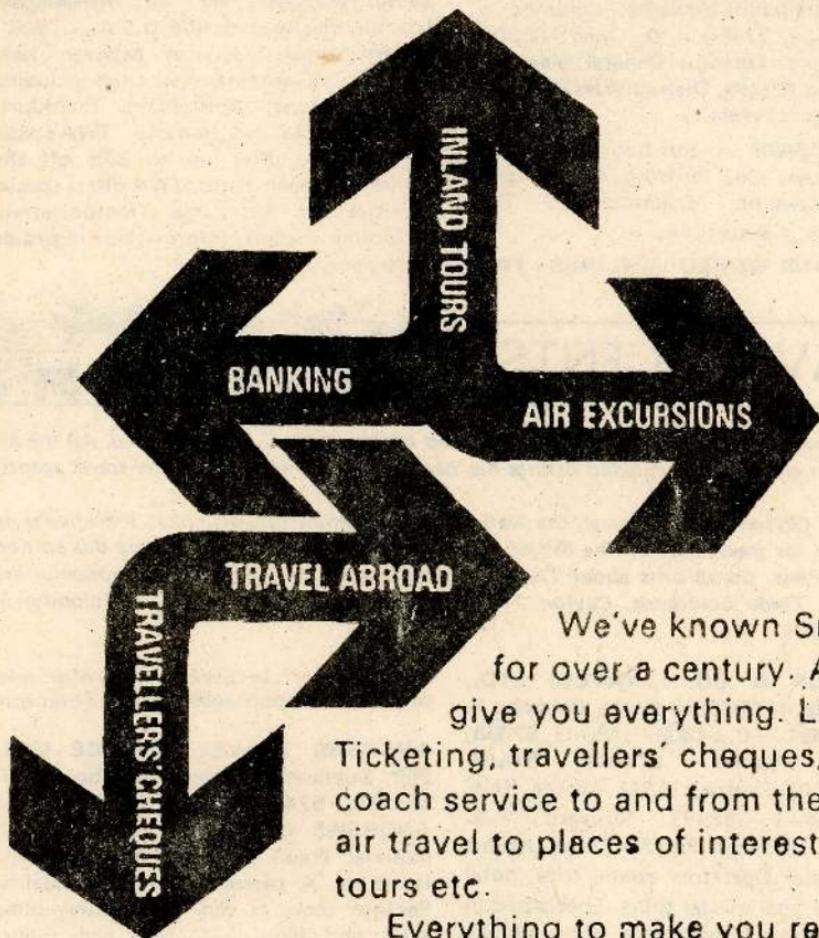
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## **FOOD AND DRINK**

For many centuries Sri Lanka was the spice centre of the world. The availability of many spices and contact with the many people who came to take them away have left their impact on the island's culinary arts. Most hotels and restaurants will offer you a wide variety of Oriental and Western dishes. There are some that specialise in Sri Lankan foods. With the Indian Ocean ringing the island, sea food is found in abundance. Shell fish — lobsters, prawns, crabs, — are a speciality of the coastal region.

#### **Curry.**

Rice and curry is the main Sri Lankan food. But beware if you are uninitiated to Sri Lankan curries. We Sri Lankans enjoy some the hottest food in the world. Most of our curries would be "dynamite" to strangers. But hotels serve mild versions of these dishes to foreigners.

Meat, fish and vegetables are all prepared as curries. A curry is a dish of any of these cooked in the juice of grated coconut, flavoured with sliced onions, green chillies, black pepper, several spices such as cinnamon, cardamom, cloves, nutmeg and saffron or turmeric, and often red hot chillies, as well.



A rice and curry meal will include rice (cooked plain white or yellow and rich in spices) and from three to six or seven curries. A very hot "sambol" — grated coconut mixed with chillies and spices — is also served, as are several chutneys and pickles. The meal is generally followed by a delicious dessert of curd and treacle or fresh tropical fruits.

Remember, if the food is too hot for your palate don't reach for the cold water nearby. It will be of little help. Ask for hot water and eat some plain grated coconut. The "heat" will vanish very soon, and you will be on your way to getting used to the mystery of Sri Lankan curries.

**Lamprais** — rice boiled in stock with "dry curries" and the whole baked in a wrapping of banana leaf. This is a Dutch improvement of rice and curry.

**Hoppers** — a mixture of rice flour and coconut milk baked with a soft

centre and wafer-crisp edge. It is best with a fresh egg baked in the centre. You will be fascinated watching hoppers being made. Usually eaten with hot or mild sambol.

**Stringhoppers** — delicate, steamed circles of rice flour. Eaten warm with curry and sambol. Both hoppers and string hoppers are popular breakfast foods in Sri Lankan homes.

#### Fruits

A tropical Island with a hill country with near temperate climes, Sri Lanka has an abundance of fruit. Perennials such as papaya, pineapple, several varieties of mango, passion fruit and more than a dozen varieties of banana are found a plenty. Seasonal fruit include the mango-steen with its unparalleled flavour, avocado, rambutan, melon, woodapple, rose apple, guava, beli, ripe jak (varaka), pears, strawberries, sapodilla, soursop and the subtle delicacy of durian.

Fresh fruit drinks are easily obtainable. Ask for the juice of fresh orange, lime, pineapple, papaya, beli or passion fruit to quench your thirst. But best of all is the juice of the "thambili" — the golden King coconut — drunk straight from the golden fruit. It's a good wake up drink as well, bringing you in to fine condition after a thick night. Young

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The island also produces wide range of alcoholic beverages. The two traditional Sri Lankan drinks are toddy and arrack, both obtained from the coconut flower. Toddy is the fermenting sap from the flower. Arrack is the distilled essence of toddy. The best toddy drink is at wayside taverns. VSOA (Very Special Old Arrack), 7 Year Arrack and Double-Distilled Arrack are served in most hotels. Sri Lanka beers — lager, pilsner and stout — are very popular among those with discerning tastes.

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**AQUAMARINE BAR** — Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental. Offers a savoury and sandwich lunch (12 noon to 2.30 p.m.) daily with the accompaniment of piano music of Beverly Rodrigo (except Wednesday) and evening cocktails from 5.30 p.m. onwards. Tel: 21221.



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While gems, demon masks and ebony elephants are some of the more popular souvenirs of Sri Lanka, the shopper who spends a little time in the Fort, Pettah or the many little shops which cater to tourists at Galle Face, Kollupitiya or Bambalapitiya (proceed South from the Fort along the main highway Galle Road) will find plenty of good things to buy and boast about, and at very reasonable prices too!

## Handicrafts

Except in a few shops which stick to marked prices, bargaining is the order

of the day. Shoppers should not hesitate to haggle. The Fort has a large number of shops which deal in gems, curios and handicrafts.

The main centre for those items is the Government run LAKSALA, at York Street, where the prices are reasonably fixed . . . . and quality is assured. Here can be found a good range of Sri Lanka handicrafts . . . . rush and reedware, basketware, cane, coir, ceramics, ivory, ebony, masks, drums, lacquer work, brass and silver ornaments, silver filigree work, jewellery sets with semi-precious stones, wood work, coconut shell work, husk, horn, quill work, lace (the delicate but hardy "pillow lace . . . . " an art introduced by the Portuguese), sarees, handloom fabrics, bone work, batiks, bamboo work, dolls, puppets. Dumbara mat-work, terracotta, tortoise shell work, replicas of traditional Kandyan and Dutch furniture and much more besides.

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### Gems & Jewellery

Down through the ages, Sri Lanka has been famous for her gems. There is hardly a crown in the world which does not hold at least one gem from Sri Lanka. It is easy to purchase quality gems in Colombo, Ratnapura (the Gem City), Kandy, Bentota or Galle. The gem trade is widespread. Gems can be purchased, set in silver or gold, or by themselves - blue, yellow or star sapphires, alexandrites, amethysts, zircons, garnets, rubies, aquamarines, cat's eyes, tourmalines, moonstones, cinnamon stones, topaz.

Most gem dealers are approved either by the State Gem Corporation or the Controller of Exchange, or both. Do not rush when purchasing . . . . take your time deciding. If you want advice you won't find it hard to obtain . . . . . gem dealers are experienced people and are often the best advisers. If you want to be certain of your purchases, have them checked at the STATE GEM CORPORATION, York Street, Fort. The Corporation tests stones for quality and weight (a free service). It does not decide on value.

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A wide range of books on Sri Lanka (its history, geography, customs, traditions, religions, rituals, politics, etc.) is available at leading bookshops. Recommended: **LAKE HOUSE BOOK SHOP**, Sir Chittampalam Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 2; **K. V. G. DE SILVA'S**, YMBA Building, Colombo, Fort and Kandy. **K. V. G. DE SILVA & SONS (COLOMBO) LTD.**, 415, Galle Road, Colombo 4 and at Liberty Plaza, Colombo 3, stock books on Sri Lanka and have a wide range of imported books, rare books on Sri Lanka, old maps and old views.

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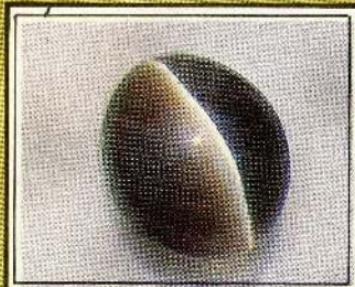
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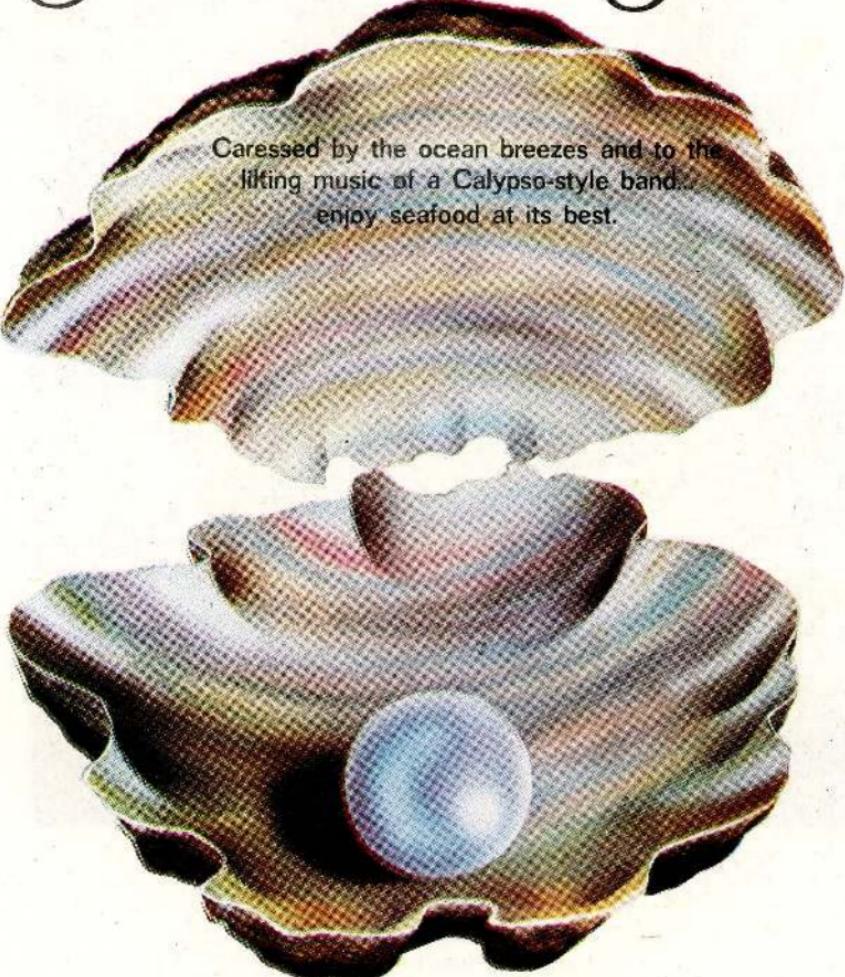
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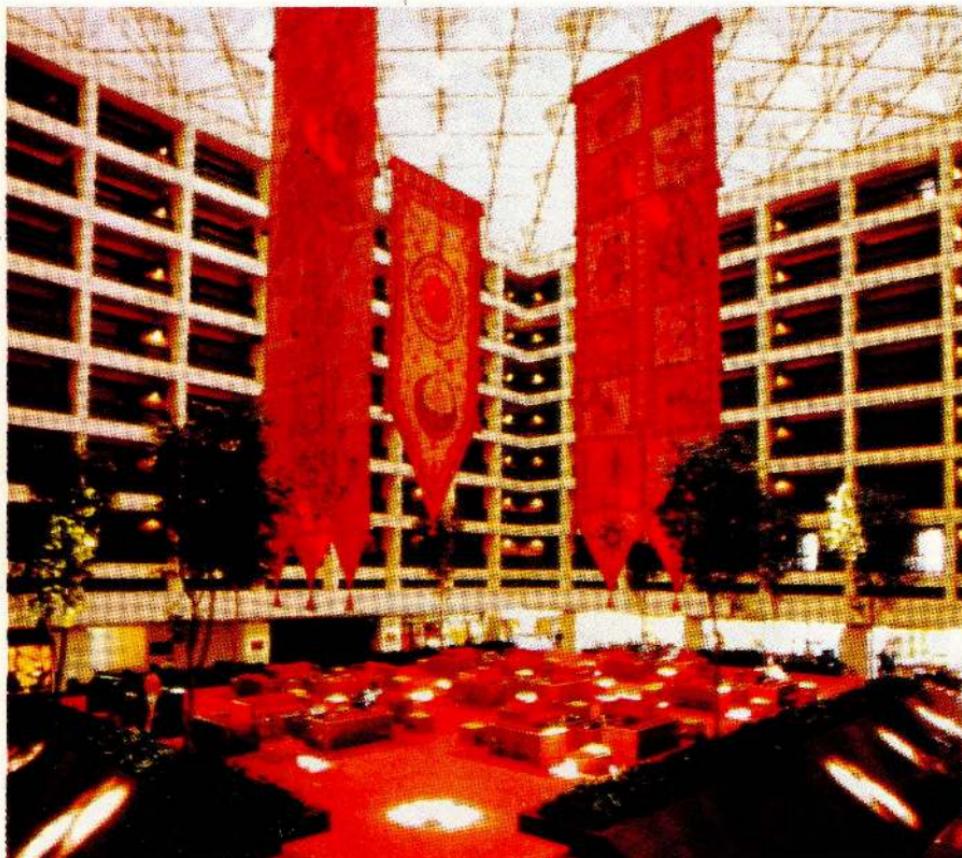
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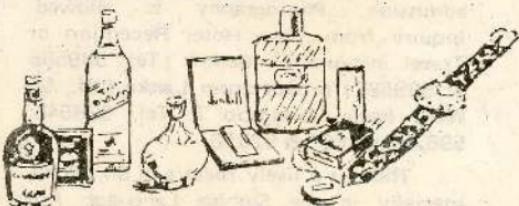
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The traditional dances of Sri Lanka are growing in popularity with tourists to the island. There has recently been a revival of traditional dancing and many opportunities are now available for visitors to attend special cultural shows. Several Hotels and Travel Agents arrange special shows to which you could obtain admission. Photography is allowed. Inquire from your Hotel Reception or Travel information Centre (Tel: 589585 or 589586) or **Spectrum Lanka Ltd.**, 56 Ward Place, Colombo 7. Tel: 598648, 596227, 92809 & 92810.

There is a lively theatre in Sri Lanka, specially in the Sinhala Language. For those interested, the Lumbini Theatre, Havelock Town, is the most popular centre. Most of the plays are by young producers, and there are many translations and adaptations from Western plays. Sinhala plays are also staged at the John de Silva Memorial Hall, Colombo 7 and Tower Hall, Maradana. The Lionel Wendt Kala Kendra, 18, Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7, is a cultural centre which has an art gallery and produces amateur theatricals in English and Sinhala. For programme, check with daily news papers. The Travel Information Centre may also be able to assist.

## Night Clubs

Most big hotels provide **Night Club entertainment**, with floor shows and music for dancing. The better known places are: **Roof Top Supper Club** – Hotel Lanka Oberoi, daily 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., late night dining and dancing to Live Music. **Mount Lavinia Beach Hotel** – Little Hut Club on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays – 'Upeca' (Wednesdays and Saturdays), "Kings" (Thursdays and Saturdays). **"Blue Elephant Discotheque"** – Hilton International Colombo, the night pulse of Colombo open 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. except on Sundays and Mondays. **Colombo 2000** – Hotel Galadari Meridien open all 7 days of the week – the only Night spot in town offering "Live" music every day of the week – 9.30 p.m. to 3 a.m. extended till 4 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Mondays – Ayesha and Dream Team, Tuesdays Wednesdays & Thursdays – Noeline with Apple Green, Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays Sohan and the X-Periments with Estelle, Eugene and the DJ Gang daily.

## Casinos

There are several good casinos in the city offering chances to strike it rich for those who wish to indulge in the many pleasures of gambling – **Capricorn Casino Club** – No. 437, Galle Road, Colombo 3, Tel: 588233, Baccarat, Black Jack, Roulette, Rummy, Poker or Flush are some of the highlights in the gaming scene. (See Colour Advertisement). The **Continental Club and Casino** – Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental Open daily from 12 noon to 5 a.m. – (See listing Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental). The **Club Colombo Casino** – in the Hotel Taj Samudra premises open from noon till late every day. (see listing Hotel Taj Samudra). Other Casino Clubs operative are: **Cassanova Club** – 375, Galle Road, Colombo 3. **Caesars Palace** – 62, Havelock Road, Colombo 5. **Club Atlantic** – 19/1, Daisy Villa Avenue, Colombo 4. **Golden Nugget Club** – 15/1, Mudalige Mawatha, Colombo 1. **Palm Beach Club** – 3rd Floor Cargo Boat Despatch Building, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. and **Star Dust Club** – 9, 15th Lane, Colombo 3. (All Casinos open daily except on Poya Days).

## Golf

The **Royal Colombo Golf Club**, Model Farm Road, Colombo 8. Tel: 595431, 91401. Eighteen hole golf course. Green fees: Men – Rs. 300/- per day, Rs. 1,200/- per week, Rs. 1,650/- two weeks, Rs. 3,000/- one month. Women and Children under 17 years, Rs. 225/- per day, Rs. 900/- per week, Rs. 1,350/- two weeks, Rs. 2,250/- one month. Golf clubs hired at Rs. 50/- per full set per 18 hole round. Foreign currency accepted. **Nuwara Eliya Golf Club** also invites tourists (see under **Hill Country**).

Mini Golf – Hotel Dolphin, Waikkal, Negombo.

## Tennis

The **Ceylon Lawn Tennis Association** No. 45, Edinburgh Crescent, Colombo 7. Tel: 91425. **Gymkhana Club**, 31, Maitland Crescent, Colombo 7. Tel: 91025. **Nondescript Cricket Club**, 29, Maitland Place, Colombo 7, Tel: 595293. **Tamil Union Cricket and Athletic Club** – The P. **Saravanamuttu Stadium**, Serpentine Road, Colombo 8, Tel: 93006. Offers temporary membership and club facilities for tourists. **The Women's International Club**, 16,



Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7, Tel: 595072, offers similar facilities for women over 15 years.

**Hotel Lanka Oberoi**, Galle Road, Colombo 3, Tel: 20001, 21171. Advance reservation preferred.

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**Hotel Dolphin** — Waikkal, Negombo. Hotel Sigiriya — Sigiriya. Mount Lavinia Beach Hotel — Hotel Road, Mount Lavinia. Airport Garden Hotel — Seeduwa. Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental — 48, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Hotel Taj Samudra — 25, Galle Face Centre Road, Colombo 3.

**GYMNASIUM**, Hilton International Colombo, Echelon Square, Lotus Road, Colombo 1. Tel: 544644, under the direction of Clark Hatch Physical Fitness Centers of U.S.A.

**Airport Garden Hotel — Seeduwa.**

**Galadari Meridien Colombo — 64**, Lotus Road, Echelon Square, Colombo 1.

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**Squash**

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**Kandy — The Kandy Garden Club**, Victoria Drive (at far end from Maligawa on drive round Lake) Tel: 08 22675 also offer facilities for tourists.

Arrangements could be made through your hotel receptions.

**Hotel Serendib** — Bentota. Hotel Dolphin — Waikkal, Negombo. Hotel

Ceylon Inter-Continental — 48, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1, AC Squash Courts. Hotel Taj Samudra — 25, Hotel Serendib — Bentota. Hotel Dolphin — Waikkal, Negombo. Hotel Reefcomber — Hikkaduwa. Hotel Sigiriya — Sigiriya. Emerald Bay Hotel — Induruwa, Galle Face Centre Road, Colombo 3, A/C. Squash Courts.

**Running**

**Colombo Hash House Harriers (CHHH3)**. Run Monday evenings, starting at 5.15 p.m. from various locations around Colombo. Tel: 574921/589226, 595694/597754, 25592/500384 or 27611 ext 206 for run details. Note this is a MALE only run. The HARRIETS (mixed run) is every other Wednesday at 5.15 details of which are posted on the notice board of the Colombo Swimming Club. Rs. 150/- cover charge.

**Fishing**

**The Ceylon Anglers' Club**, Chaitiya Road, Fort, Tel: 21752 (opp. Light House). Free membership to tourists. Facilities for good inshore fishing. Angling gear is available for hire.

**The Ceylon Sea Anglers' Club**, China Bay, Trincomalee — fishing, swimming at Trinco. Angling excursions and deep sea fishing arranged. Accommodation available to tourist members. Tackle and boats hired. Contact: Ranjan Canakaratne, Boats Officer - Tel: 94555 (H) 35746 (O).

**Mount Lavinia Beach Hotel** — Hotel Road, Mount Lavinia — Deep Sea Fishing.

**Swimming**

Most popular beach close to Colombo is at **Mount Lavinia**, 12 km. from Fort. Sea-bathing in private beach and pool.

Private swimming clubs offering temporary membership to tourists. **Kinross Swimming & Life Saving Club**, Station Avenue, Wellawatte, Tel: 586461 — Sea bathing, surfing. Private pools at **Sinhalese Sports Club**, Maitland Place, Colombo 7, Tel: 595362. **Otter Aquatic Club**, 380, Baudhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7, Tel: 95070 and **Colombo Swimming Club**, "Strom Lodge", Galle Road, Colombo 3, Tel: 21645.

**Hilton International Colombo**, Echelon Square, Lotus Road, Colombo 1. Tel: 544644 (Monthly membership available).

Other private swimming clubs offering temporary membership to tourists

are: **Galle Face Hotel Pool and Beach Club**  
Tel: 541010 - 6, **Hotel Lanka Oberoi**, Galle Road, Colombo 3, Tel: 20001, 21171. Advance reservation preferred.

**Swimming Pools**— Hotel Serendib—Bentota, Hotel Dolphin—Waikkal Negombo, Hotel Reefcomber—Hikkaduwa, Hotel Sigiriya—Sigiriya. Club Paradise—Bentota. Airport Garden Hotel—seeduwa. Galadari Meridien Colombo—64, Lotus Road, Echelon Square, Colombo 1. Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental—Colombo. Taj Samudra Hotel—Colombo.

**IMPORTANT** — Visitors are advised, in the interest of safety, to check swimming conditions at each beach hotel or club they visit. Generally the West coast is safe from November to March and the East Coast from March to September. It is safest to use areas most frequented by local residents and areas patrolled by Life Savers. Also note warning boards regarding areas not suitable for swimming.

#### **Skin & Scuba Diving**

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34926 or P. O. Box 256. Classes sailed — Dublin Bay, Waterwags and Enterprise.

**Ceylon Motor Yacht Club** — Sails at Bolgoda Lake, 19 kms. South of Colombo. GP 14 dinghies available. Special tourist rates available, including full use of club house facilities. (Week days only). Club Houses — Iddibedde, Moratuwa; Contact P. O. Box 112, Colombo.

#### **Snorkelling & Diving:**

Hotel Reefcomber — Hikkaduwa. Mount Lavinia Hotel

#### **Water Skiing:**

Hotel Dolphin — Waikkal, Negombo. Airport Garden Hotel — Seeduwa.

#### **Wind Surfing:**

Hotel Serendib — Bentota. Hotel Dolphin — Waikkal, Negombo. Emerald Bay Hotel — Induruwa, Bentota. Club Paradise — Bentota. Airport Garden Hotel — Seeduwa. Mount Lavinia Beach Hotel.

#### **Rowing & Boating**

**Colombo Rowing Club**, 51/1, Sir Chittampalam Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 2. Tel: 33758. Offers temporary membership up to one month. All club facilities provided.

#### **Boating:**

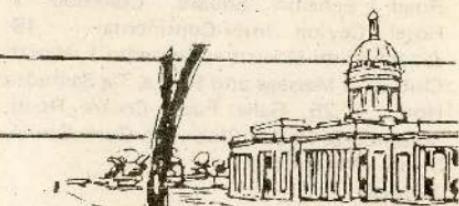
Hotel Dolphin — Waikkal, Negombo. Club Paradise — Bentota. Airport Garden Hotel — 234 - 238, Colombo-Negombo Road, Seeduwa.

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## **COLOMBO**

Colombo is a fascinating city, which links the past with the present. Its history goes back many centuries. The Moroccan traveller Ibn Batuta who visited the island in the 14th century, described Colombo as the best town in the island of Serendib. It had been mentioned in the 13th century by Chinese travellers, who named it Kaolanpu. To the early Arab traders it was Calenbou. It is believed that the Portuguese who built a Fort here in the 16th century, changed the Arab word Calenbou to Colombo, in memory



of the famous explorer, Christopher Columbus. The Sinhalese have always called it *KolamBa*.

Colombo came to be known first as a small Moorish settlement, at the time when they controlled the trade and sea routes of this region. The Portuguese built a fort here, as a concession from the Sinhala King of Kotte in the 16th century. This fort was expanded by the

Dutch who ousted the Portuguese in the 17th century.

## FORT

The Fort area was later used by the British as their administrative centre and main military garrison. Today Colombo is a mixture of the old and new, bits of history and twentieth century bustle, the practicality of the West and romance of the East. There is plenty to discover in this Garden City of the East famous for its many avenues of flowering and shade trees.

The city is 31 km. from the International Airport, Katunayake and 16 km. from the domestic airport at Ratmalana. Any tour of Colombo begins with the Fort, which is now the main commercial administrative and shopping centre. Here are housed the important government and mercantile offices, banks, shipping and airline offices and the larger shops. Some points of interest in the Fort: the old Clock Tower, over 100 years' old, originally a lighthouse with clock tower

..... possible the only lighthouse in the middle of a city. The buildings in the Fort are marked for their British colonial architecture, mainly the General Post Office (a 100m from the clock-tower), the Chartered Bank Building and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank. There is a statue of Queen Victoria at Gordon Gardens, adjoining Janadhipathi Medura (President's House), but this is not easily accessible as it is enclosed in Republic Square where the President's offices are situated. Photographers could obtain special permission from the Publicity Division, Foreign Ministry. Gordon Gardens also has a rock inscribed with the Portuguese Coat of Arms. St. Peter's Church, formerly a part of the Governor's residence, is near Hotel Taprobane.

## GALLE FACE

The old cannon placed facing the sea along Chaitiya Mawatha (Marine Drive) are relics of the Dutch and British days. A good place to enjoy the sea breeze is the platform of the new lighthouse at Marine Drive and further south — the Galle Face Green where once military parades were held and horse racing took place. The Galle Face Walk was dedicated by a British Governor to the Ladies of Colombo. Today Galle Face is the main open-air promenade of the city. Saturday and Sunday evenings finds it full of

relaxing people. A fine place for a morning walk, enjoying sea breeze and sun and the right place to buy yourself a Sri Lanka kite. The elegant sandstone building with distinctive British colonial style architecture opposite the Galle Face Green at the northern end is the old Parliament Building, which now houses the Presidential Secretariat. The large bronze statue near Beira Lake facing the sea is of Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, Prime Minister, who was assassinated in 1959. The Galle Face Hotel, famous old caravanserai of the British Raj in the East is on the South of the Green.

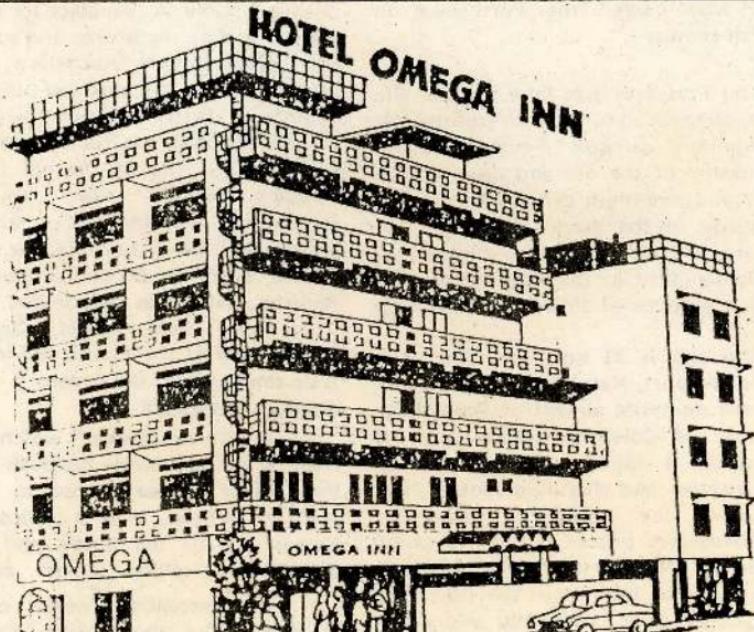
## WORLD MARKET

The "World Market" which was until recently at Duke Street has been shifted to the "Night Bazaar" close to the Fort Railway Station. It is a typical oriental Bazaar full of the hustle and shouting of vendors selling almost everything.

Two excellent views could be obtained from the "Akasa Kade", the roof-top restaurant at Ceylinco Hotel, and the "Harbour Room", Hotel Taprobane. The former gives you a wide sweep of the city, with all its rich green extending to the southern suburbs, as well as a skyline view of the city. The "Harbour Room" view is of the Harbour itself, and is best enjoyed at night.

## PETTAH

The Pettah, bordering the Fort, has always been a bazaar district. It is still the best place to shop for bargains. An incredible variety of goods is sold here ..... prices are as low as you can get them. Batik, handloom fabrics, ebony and brass curios, hand-made lace, sarees, hand-made shoes, excellent leather goods, old books (sometimes even first editions), gems and jewellery could all be obtained in the Pettah. There is a whole street — Gabo's Lane which specialises in Ayurvedic herbal medicines — from musk to sandalwood and another street — Sea Street — which is the quarter of the Goldsmiths. Fine silver could also be obtained in the Pettah. There are also many old mosques and Hindu temples in this quarter which is always as busy and colourful as only an oriental bazaar could be. A landmark not to miss — Kayman's Gate — dating back to Dutch times when the Beira Lake extended to the Pettah and the crocodiles (caymen) of the Lake gathered there to feed on what was thrown out of the old Fort.



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Every Sunday, when the Pettah shops are closed, Main Street, Colombo becomes a Street bazaar full of the small stalls of vendors selling everythin from trinkets to sarees, handicrafts, curios and fruits.

#### OTHER PLACES OF INTEREST —

##### BUDDHIST TEMPLES

**Fort Vihara** of the Young Men's Buddhist Association — small shrine room with fine modern statue of the Buddha. **Vajiraramaya**, Bambalapitiya (6 km. from Fort) . . . one of the recognised centres of Buddhist learning. Discussions on Buddhism could always be arranged. **Mettaramaya**, Lauries Road, Bambalapitiya — Buddhist sermons in English could be arranged. **Dipaduttaramaya**, Kotahena, one of the oldest Buddhist temples in the city. **Gothami Vihara**, Borella (7 km. from Fort) notable for the contemporary Buddhist murals done by George Keyt, one of Sri Lanka's and Asia's leading artists. **Kelaniya Raja Maha Vihara** (7 km. from Fort), one of the most sacred Buddhist shrines. Built on a place believed to have been visited by the Buddha, the site has a history extending beyond 2,500 years. It has a dagaba in the unusual shape of a heap of paddy and has excellent murals by the famous Buddhist artist, Solius Mendis, depicting the style of Buddhist revivalist art at

the turn of the century. Kelaniya is the venue of the famous Duruthu Perahera (procession held in January each year). **Asokaramaya** and **Isipathanaramaya**, Thimbirigasyaya (7 km. from Fort), also have Buddhist murals.

##### HINDU TEMPLES

**Hindu Temple**, Sea Street, Pettah — It is from here that the Vel Cart begins its journey during the Vel Festival in July - August. There is another well known **Hindu Temple** at Kochchikade, 2 km. from Fort. One at Kotahena, dedicated to Mariamma, where many vows are made and favours requested by the faithful. Two temples at **Wellawatte** and **Bambalapitiya**, where the Vel Chariot bearing the insignia of Skanda comes on alternate years during the Vel Festival.

##### MOSQUES

The more famous mosques in Colombo are the **Davatagaha Mosque** at De Soysa Circus, more than 100 years old. The **Jami-Ul Alfar Junma Mosque**, situated in the Pettah was constructed in 1909. It has a clock tower and several beautiful minarets.

##### CHURCHES

**Wolfendhal**, Church, Wolfendhal Street, Colombo 13. (2 km. from Fort), dating back from the period of the Dutch occupation of Colombo. It still conducts services for those of the Dutch Reformed

faith. Built in 1749, it contains many monuments of Dutch rule. Several Dutch tombstones are found. **St. Andrew's Church**, Kollupitiya (next to Hotel Lanka Oberoi), dates back to 1842. It was the first place of worship built by the Church of Scotland in Sri Lanka. **St. Peter's Church**, Fort, preserved as an ancient monument was originally part of the Dutch Governor's Residence, the present name being the banqueting hall. First used for divine services in 1804 and consecrated in 1821.

#### ART GALLERY

**The Art Gallery**, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 7. **The Lionel Wendt Gallery**, Guildford Crescent, Colombo 7, Tel: 595794. **The Kalagraya**, Alliance Francaise, Ward Place, Colombo 7.

#### PARKS

Colombo's fame as a Garden City owes much to many parks, stretches of unspoilt green and air lungs found in the city. The best known park is **Vihara Maha Devi Park** which is situated opposite the imposing Town Hall, one of the finest examples of colonial architecture in the East. The park is well laid out with many walks and groves. In addition to trimmed hedges and fountains, are the many huge flowering trees, which create a veritable riot of colour when in bloom. At one end of the park is the War Memorial —

commemorating the dead of the two world wars.

#### ZOO

Just outside the border of Colombo at Dehiwela (11 km. from Fort), is the Zoological Gardens, the best of its kind in Asia. It is well stocked with animals, and birds from many parts of the world. There is also a separate Aquarium which displays rare varieties of local and exotic aquatic life. Of special interest is the wide collection from the Malaysian region — including the rare Orang-utang, African Lions, Gorillas, Indian Tigers, are among the many denizens found in this Zoo. A pleasant atmosphere has been created here with as little use of bars as possible and the walk-in aviary where a Peacock, Painted Stork or Jungle Fowl could be your companion.

The most popular attraction at the Zoo is the daily circus by performing Sri Lankan elephants. It takes place at 5.15 p.m. each day and the elephants perform a wide array of tricks and dances. An event not to be missed. Have your cameras always at the ready. You could even have elephant rides here seated on an old style seat or Howdah.

The Zoo is open daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The entrance rates are — Adults Rs. 30/- Children Rs. 5/- (inclusive of Aquarium entry fee). Parking fee — bus Rs. 10/-, car Rs. 5/-.

## ACCOMMODATION IN COLOMBO

Information with regard to rates in all Accommodation Units listed in this book has been supplied by the Hotels/Guest Houses

SWB — Single with bath; TWB — Twin with bath, SWoB — Single without Bath, TWOoB — Twin without Bath; S — Single Room; D — Double Room; TRI — Triple Room; STE — Suite; BB — Bed & Breakfast; pp — per person; R, rms — Rooms; RO — Room only; AP — American Plan; CP — Continental Plan; EP — European Plan; MAP — Modified American Plan; SC — Service Charge; SO — Single Occupancy; HB — Half Board, FB — Full Board, AI — All inclusive; Ac — Air-conditioned; SWM — Swimming Pool; HC — Health Club; MSG — Massage; NC — Night Club.

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Seeduwa. (R 120). Tel: 030 - 3771 (10 lines). Tlx: 22430 AIRGAR CE. Cable: AIRGARDEN. General Manager: Mr. Vijith Kuruppu. (RO) SWB — S 50 - 60, DWB — S 60 - 70, Deluxe 65 - 85, Suite 110 - 155, Breakfast S 3.50, Lunch S 5.00, Dinner S 6.00. SC 10%: Credit Cards Accepted: American Express, Master Charge, Visa. Central Air Conditioned Rooms with individual thermostats, Bath Tub — head and hand shower, running Hot and Cold Water. Direct Dial Telephone in every room. International Direct Dialling Telephone, Fridge, Colour TV with in-house movies,

Radio, 24 hour Room Service, Restaurants specialising in Indian; Continental, Chinese and Sri Lankan cuisine. Laundry, Heli-pad, Secretarial Bureau — Telex, Cable, Photocopy Service. Sports Centre comprising of Tennis Courts, Keep Fit Room, Swimming Pool, Club Cabana Health Club with Massage and Sauna. **Lazy Lagoon** — Serves international Bar-be-Que, Dancing by the waters edge, Sunday Buffets serenaded by a Sri Lankan Calypso Band. **Wet Willies Bar** — Stands firmly in the lagoon serves sundown cocktails and your favourite drinks. **Cockpit Discotheque** — Cricketers Arm Pub — Swimming Pool (Adults, Kiddies and Wading) — Childrens Play Park (Pony Rides, Kiddies Amusement Park, Fun Playground for the toddlers with swings, slides, clamber frames). **Pink Kitchen** — For take aways, cakes, bread, desserts, pizzas, pates and pies. **Bridge Patio** — Serves breakfast, snacks, hot and cold drinks, ice creams, sundaes, cassatas and candies for kiddies. **Kurundu Coffee House** — Monday to Friday businessmens buffet 12.30 — 2.30 p.m. Except Sundays — open 24 hours. Serves informal meals snacks, breakfast, lunch and dinner. **Shopping Arcade** — Jewellery/Gem Shop, Book shop, Handicraft shop, Batiks and Silk shop, Flower shop, Hair dressing and beauty parlour. Conference and Banquet Facilities - 250 to 350. Spacious Car and Coach Parks. Foreign Currency Encashments. Safety lockers.

**CEYLINCO HOTELS LTD.**, — Ceylinco House, 69, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 20431 - 2, Cables: **CEYLINOTEL**. Manager: **Mr. David Crusz**, Fully AC Rooms, Single/Double (BB) — Economy Rs. 350/- + 10% SC. **Roof Top Restaurant** — **Akasa Kade**, open from 9.00 a.m. to 12 midnight, Serving Eastern and Western cuisine. Speciality in Self Service — 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday, Well stocked Bar, 45 minutes from International Airport, situated within City Centre, 10 minutes from main shopping centre (Pettah). Live music by Ranil and Renuka Duo on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 7 p.m. onwards.

**GALADARI MERIDIEN COLOMBO (5\*)** — 64, Lotus Road, Echelon Square, Colombo 1. Tel: 544544, Tlx: 22334 **GALMER CE**, Fax: 549875, Reservations: Meridien Sales Office in the Asia/Pacific Region, Meridien Hotels, all Air France ticket offices or **MRI** (Meridien Reservations International) Head Office:

Paris. General Manager: **Mr. Jean Pierre Kaspar**, Director Sales: **Mr. Gnana Samaratunga**. Rates: (RO) SWB-US\$ 70.00 DWB-US\$ 80.00, Extra Bed-US\$ 10.00 + 10% SC. Credit Cards accepted. American Express, Diners Club, Visa, Eurocard, Master Charge Access & Bank of America Cards. A blend of French "Art of Fine Living" located in a typical Sri Lankan setting on Lotus Road, Fort, with a magnificent view over the city of Colombo and the Indian Ocean. It has 500 rooms and suites centrally air-conditioned. Direct Dial Telephone facilities, Radio Five Channels and Colour Television, with In-house Movies, Hair Dryer and Mini Bar, 24 hour Room Service. Reuters News, special facilities for handicapped people. Comprehensive Conference and Banquet facilities with sophisticated audio-visual and simultaneous translation equipment together with all the service the Businessman demands.

#### **RESTAURANTS AND BARS:**

**La Palme D'or** — Rooftop Restaurant serves a Businessman's lunch from 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. on weekdays and A-la-Carte French and Continental Cuisine from 7.30 to 11 p.m. Entertainment by Suriyakumar on Fridays and Saturdays.

**Le Cafe Fleuri Brasserie/Coffee Shop** — is open 24 hours. It has a luncheon buffet and Chef's specials and A-la-Carte for lunch and dinner daily. **The Fish** — Meridien's new seafood restaurant open for dinner from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. offers a tantalising menu of seafood preparations.

**Le Rendezvous Lobby Bar** — Open from 11 a.m. to midnight, with live music daily from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m. Noeline + 2 on Sundays and Mondays, Kanthi and Judy on Tuesdays with Fazard, Suriyakumar with Liza on Wednesdays and Thursdays, Anjalee with Denver on Fridays and Saturdays. **The Dolphin Poolside Snack Bar** — Open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

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**Conference and Banqueting Facilities:** 1000 seat ballroom, 9 meeting rooms.

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**HOTEL GALAXY** — 388, Union Place, Colombo 2. (R.52). Tel: 596372 - 3, 91555, Tlx: 22325 GALAXY CE. (RO) SWB — USS 16, DWB — USS 20, Tri — USS 24 plus 10% SC. All rooms AC, with attached Bath with Hot and Cold water, Piped music, Telephone, Lobby, Roof Top Restaurant, Swimming Pool, Bar, Coffee Shop, Banquet facilities, Business Centre/Secretarial service. One

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**HOTEL OMEGA INN** — 324, Galle Road, Colombo 6. Tel: 582277, 585604, 587820. Fan (RO) S — Rs. 225/-, D — Rs. 250/-, AC (RO) S — Rs. 250/-, D — Rs. 290/-, Luxury (RO) S — Rs. 425/-, D — Rs. 450/- (Special rates for Long Stays). Telephone, Private Balcony, AC, Television lounge and Restaurant with Eastern, Western and Sri Lankan food. Open Air Roof Top Beer Garden, Sun

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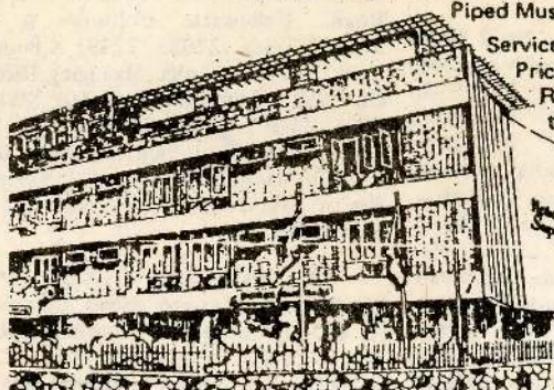
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(on way to Kandy)

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(on way to Ratnapura)

**HANWELLA REST HOUSE** – (R7). 1 hour from Colombo on the way to Ratnapura. Tel: 036-5042. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501, 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: Mr. E.G. Abeysekera. S – Rs. 150/-, D – Rs. 150/- (RO); S – Rs. 190/-, D – Rs. 230/- (BB); S – Rs. 335/-, D – Rs. 520/- (AI). 10% SC. Picturesquely located by the Kelani River. Restaurant, Bar facilities and fishing.

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The Coast from Negombo (37 km. North of Colombo – 5 minutes from the International Airport) to Hambantota down in the South is dotted with beach resorts, with excellent facilities for bathing, swimming and sunning.

### FISHING

**Negombo** – Is the centre of the island's fishing community. It is largely Roman Catholic by faith, with huge, imposing churches down almost every street. The beach is a picture-book depiction of a fishing community. The sea and the catamarans are the backdrop to the Negombo scenery. Fishermen still go out in craft which have changed little in style and design through centuries. When the catch is in, the sale and auction is brisk and exciting. You could even help in pulling in a net, and earn a fish for your labour. Negombo has many fine areas for sea bathing and sunning. The people are very friendly and you will soon discover an entirely new way of life.

The beach at **Hendala** is only 10 km North of downtown Colombo and Mount



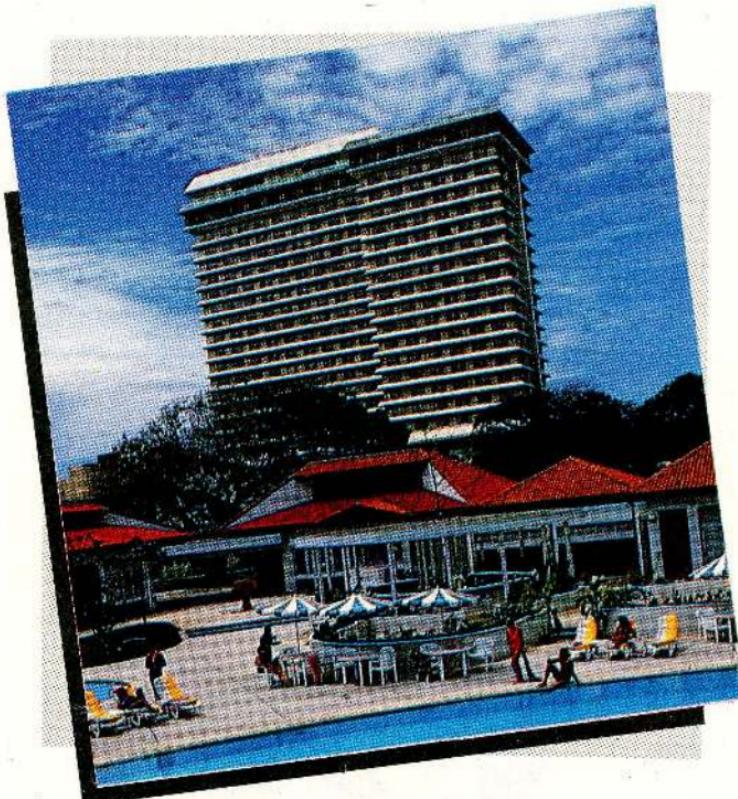
**Lavinia** (already described, see Recreation), is just 13 km. South of the city centre. Further down is a **Kalutara, Beruwela** – with new hotels built near fine bathing spots and the Bentota Holiday Resort.

**Bentota** – The Bentota National Holiday Resort Tel: 048-5212, 5011, is sited on a picturesque confluence of sea and river – at a spot where once an old Rest House was situated. It is a self-contained destination resort, with its own very seductive charms. There are wide expanses of beach and the sea is fine for bathing and surfing. Accommodation is in 251 rooms in four low-rise hotels – the **Bentota Beach Hotel, Hotel Serendib, Lihiniya Surf Hotel and Hotel Ceysands**. Sea food is the forte. Beach barbecues and sumptuous luncheon buffets are a weekly feature. There is often dancing on the beach with local bands in attendance. Performances of traditional dancing, puppetry, mask dancing and firewalking could be seen. Fine scope for aquatic sport. Photo safaris are best when exploring the interior by river. Lifeguard service is available at beach.

The Resort has a shopping centre for gems, batiks, silver, brass and copper ware, tortoise shell; masks, basket ware, ready made garments, tea, spices, shells and fresh fruits.

### TOURS

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Hikkaduwa (coral), Galie (old Dutch Fort), Ambalangoda (mask making), Meitiyagoda (moonstone mines) and several Buddhist temples in the region. Some well-known for temple murals of the Buddhist revivalist period.

For a good selection of Sri Lankan food prepared in the traditional manner, The **Tharanga Hopper Bar** at the Bentota Holiday Resort is recommended. You will be able to taste hoppers, string hoppers and rice with curry. The rates are reasonable.

Holidaying at Bentota is best during the November/April season when the area is free of monsoon winds.

South of Bentota is **Ambalangoda**, the centre of the traditional mask makers, and also a good location for sea bathing. You could buy mask (painted or unpainted) at bargain prices from the craftsman themselves. Further down is **Hikkaduwa**, famous for its Coral Garden — beautiful coral formations could be viewed from glass-bottomed boats. Many Buddhist temples in the interior. **Galle** — The Old Portuguese Fort, later rebuilt and extended by the Dutch is still fine

preservation. Most of the administration of Galle still takes place from the Fort. The view from the ramparts is superb. Fine sea bathing at Unawatuna. Best view at Closenburg. Galle is the centre of the ebony elephant makers, tortoise shell craft, hand-made lace and gem polishing.

### FRESCOES

Proceeding further South come to **Kathaluwa** — Famous for Buddhist temples with excellent frescoes — more famous temples are those at Ranwella and Giniwella. From Kathaluwa to Weligama, home of the famous stilt fishermen, always a fine subject for the camera-buff. **Matara** has another Dutch Fort — the **Star Fort**, and has fine sea-bathing at Polhena. You keep hugging the coast as you proceed down to **Tangalle**, with its fine secluded bays. Look for the Dutch Fort there too. The entrance to the Tangalle Resthouse has an inscription in Dutch. Proceed 40 km. to **Hambantota**, the old port of the Moorish traders. It is all beach and fine bay. Watch as the catamarans come in with the catch as they have been coming for centuries.

## ACCOMMODATION AT BEACH RESORTS

Information with regard to rates in all Accommodation Units listed in this book has been supplied by the Hotels/Guest Houses.

### DEHIWELA

Guest Houses

**CONCORD** — 139-141, Galle Road, Dehiwela. (R 22). Tel: 71-7727. The only Resort in Sri Lanka between the ZOO and the SEA, 3 storeyed building. Clean and comfortable double rooms with Hot and Cold water and telephone. Lobby restaurant and a well stocked bar. Western and Eastern cuisine. Facilities for sun bathing on roof top of hotel with Complete privacy. D (RO) Rs. 150/- Group rate D (RO) Rs. 125/- AC D (RO) Rs. 300/-. Plus 10% SC. Five minutes to the Sea and Zoo. 30 minutes to the International Airport. Cinema adjoining hotel. Video Games parlour within the premises. Encashment of foreign currency.

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### MOUNT LAVINIA 12 km.

#### HOTELS

##### MOUNT LAVINIA BEACH HOTEL

— Hotel Road, Mount Lavinia. (R 275). Tel: 71-5221-9. Tlx: 21294 MCCA-LUM CE, Cable: SEASIDE, General Manager: Mr. Prasanna W. Jayewardena. RO: US\$ Bay Tower SWB-50. TWB-55, Sea & Garden Wing SWB-50. TWB-55 Governors Wing SWB-12-18, TWB, 15-20 (Special discount upto 50%) Meal Rates per person: American Breakfast -3, Lunch-5, Dinner-7 (US\$) Other Facilities: All rooms with private balcony with sea view. Private sun bathing and beach facilities. Water sports, Wind surfing, Snorkling, Deep sea fishing, Boating, Tennis, Volley ball, Backgammon, Table Tennis, Carrom, at our paradise beach, other indoor games, scrabble,

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**MARINA NIWASA** — 30, Sri Dharmapala Road, Mount Lavinia. (R 16). Tel: 717337. Reservation Representative: Taprobane Travel, 1st Floor, 10, Kingly Street, London. W 1R 5 LF U.K., Gowa Travels, Starrstader Str. 546370 Stns. Switzerland. SWB — Rs. 225/- (BB); DWB — Rs. 250/- (BB), TWB — Rs. 360/- (BB). Swimming pool, Situated by sea, Private sun bathing area, licenced Private Bar, Homely comforts, Transport services. 60 minutes from International Airport 20 minutes from Colombo Fort.

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#### PAYING GUEST ACCOMMODATION

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**NEPTUNE HOTEL (3\*)** – Moragalla, Beruwela. (R 105). Tel: 034 - 75218, 75219, 75301, Cable: NEPTUNE. Manager: Mr. U. C. Jayasinghe. Reserva-

tion Representative: Aitken Spence Hotels Ltd., 315, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 547161 & 26767, Tlx: 21142 or 21598 (R0) S – Rs. 785/-, D – Rs. 1,045/-, (BB) S – Rs. 860/-, D – Rs. 1195/-, (HB) S – Rs. 1010/-, D – Rs. 1495/-, (FB) S – Rs. 1140/-, D – Rs. 1755/- plus 10% SC. All rooms AC with Hot and Cold water, Telephone and Piped Music, Laundry, Left Luggage, 24 hour Room service, Swimming pools, Solarium, Sauna, Massage, Hair dresser, Television room, Indoor games, Tennis (floodlit), Table tennis, Badminton, Volley ball, Night Club/Discotheque, Daily entertainment programme, Pizzeria, Pool Bar, Shopping Arcade, Orchid garden private hiring cars, water sports and cruises arranged. Safe sea bathing with life guard services. Foreign currency encashment, American Express, J.C.B, Visa, Master Card, Euro Card, Access and Golden Key Credit Cards accepted. International Direct Dialing facility. 10 minutes from Aluthgama town and railway station. 1½ hours from Colombo. 2½ hours from International Airport.

**PALM GARDEN HOTEL (2\*)** – Moragalle, Beruwela. (R 120 AC). Tel: 034-75203, 75273, Tlx: 22033 CONFIFI CE. Manager: Mr. Anura Lokuhetty. RO: SWB US\$ 30, TWB US\$ 35, BB: SWB US\$ 33 TWB US\$ 41. FB: SWB US\$ 142, TWB US\$ 59 plus 10% SC. High Season Supplement US\$ 5 Per Room Per day. AC Rooms, Hot and Cold water, piped music, Beach Konditorei, Indoor games, floodlit tennis, Mini-golf, Billiards, Swimming Pool, pool bar, Sunday buffet, Wind Surfing School and Shopping Arcade. Airline & Travel Staff special discounts. Reservations: Confifi Management Services Ltd., 207/2, Dharmapala Mawatha,

**PEARL BEACH HOTEL (1\*)** – Moragalla, Beruwela. (40 Bungalows). Tel: 034 - 75117, 75118. Reservation Representative: Aitken Spence Hotels Ltd., 315, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 547161, 26767, Tlx: 21788 CE. (FIT) SWB (RO) – Rs. 220/-, (BB) – Rs. 270/-, (HB) – Rs. 365/-, (FB) – Rs. 440/-, TWO (RO) – Rs. 220/-, (BB) – Rs. 320/-, (HB) – Rs. 510/-, (FB) – Rs. 660/- plus 10% SC. Swimming Pool, Tennis, Health Club/ Hair Dresser, Special Restaurant, Beach Bar, Daily Entertainment, Water Sports, Sea Bathing, Foreign Currency Encashment, AMEX, MASTER, VISA, GOLDEN KEY CARDS accepted.

10 minutes from Aluthgama/Beruwela Town. 2½ hours from International Airport. **RIVERINA HOTEL**—Moragalle, Beruwela (R 190), General Manager: Mr. Srilal Miththapala, Resident Manager: Mr. Chamindra Fernando. Tel: 034-75377, 8, 9 Tlx: 22033 CONFIFI CE. RO: SWB US\$ 40, TWB US\$ 45, BB: SWB US\$ 43, TWB US\$ 51. FB: SWB US\$ 55, TWB US\$ 75, Plus 10% SC. (G.I.T. Rates will be offered on request). High Season Suppliment US\$ 7.50 Per room Per day. All rooms AC with telephone, Hot & Cold water, Piped music, Left Luggage facility, 04 Bars, Coffee shop, Beach Konditorei, Discotheque, Daily Entertainment, Indoor Games, Floodit Tennis, Mini Golf, Snooker/Billiards, Swimming Pool, Windsurfing School, Shopping Arcade, Beauty Salon, Sauna & Massage, Gymnasium, Conference & Banquet Hall, Reservations: Confifi Management Services Ltd. 207/2 Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo - 7. **Chairman Mr. M.T.A. Furkhan.** Reservations Contact: Mr. Shiran Gunawardene — Asst. Manager Marketing Tel: 92325, 93042, 597996, 598534.

**RIVIERA BEACH RESORT**—Moragalla, Beruwela. (R 48). Tel: 034-75245, 93852, Tlx: 21361 TRADINT CE Manager: Mr. Deepal Amarasinghe. (RO) S—Rs. 300/-, D—Rs. 400/-, Tri—Rs. 500/-, (BB) S—Rs. 350/-, D—Rs. 500/-, Tri—Rs. 650/-, (HB) S—Rs. 440/-, D—Rs. 680/-, Tri—Rs. 920/- (FB) S—Rs. 510/-, D—Rs. 820/-, Tri—Rs. 1130/-, Breakfast Rs. 50/-, Lunch Rs. 70/-, Dinner Rs. 90/-, 10% SC. Credit Cards accepted. Dinner Club, Amex, Visa, Master Card. Swimming Hot and Cold water, Private Balcony, Laundry, Room service, Taxi, Foreign currency encashment, 2 hours from Colombo International Airprot.

**HOTEL WORNELS REEF**—Moragalla, Beruwela. (R 100). Tel: 034-75430, 75431, Cable: WORNELS Colombo, Tlx: 21594 WORNELS CE General Manager: Mr. Amaranath S. Mahawaduge. S—Rs. 650/- (RO), Rs. 715/- (BB), Rs. 835/- (HB), Rs. 945/- (FB). D—Rs. 650/- (RO), Rs. 780/- (BB) Rs. 1020/- (HB), Rs. 1240/- (FB), Extra Bed Rs. 150/-, Breakfast Rs. 65/-, Lunch Rs. 110/-, Dinner Rs. 120/-, plus 10% SC. Airline staff and hoteliers 25% discount. Picturesque location on Beach

overlooking reef. 12 acres Garden Land with Palm trees, Tropical plants, Spice garden, Rooms with Ocean view, Private balcony, attached Toilets and Piped music, Telephone, Western, Sri Lankan and Oriental cuisine. Currencies acceptable —Sri Lankan Rupees and Exchange control approved foreign currency. Credit Cards, American Express, Visa, Master Card, Euro Card, Access, Diners Club and Golden. 57 km from Colombo.

#### **BENTOTA 64 km.**

**BENTOTA BEACH HOTEL (4\*)**—Bentota. (AC R 135). Tel: 034-75266, 75215, 75176 - 9, Cable: HOLIDAY Colombo, Tlx: Colombo 21104. **Director/General Manager: Mr. Malin Hapugoda, Manager: Mr. P. M. Withana, Reservation Representative: Whittall Boustead Ltd., 148, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 29161. (RO) SWB—US\$ 38—46, TWB—US\$ 42—50.** Special volume discount over 20 rooms. STE (RO) US\$ 85. Breakfast US\$ 3, Lunch US\$ 5, Dinner US\$ 7, Extra bed US\$ 5 10% SC. All rooms Telephone, Hot and Cold water, Piped music, Laundry, Left baggage, 4 Bars, Coffee shop, Discotheque, TV and Video lounge, Daily entertainment, indoor games, Swimming pool, Helicopter service Boating, Amphibious plane sailing, Fishing, Water skiing, Wind surfing, Sauna, Health Club, Gymnasium, Hair dresser, Shopping arcade, Tennis (floodlit), Squash, Mini-golf. American Express, Visa, Master Charge Credit accepted. 2½ hours to International Airport, 5 minutes to Aluthgama town.

**CLUB PARADISE**—Bentota, (20 Cottages). Tel: 034 - 75354. **General Manager: Mr. S. M. A. Hameed, Manager: Mr. Lakshman Wijeratne.** Managing Agents: Serendib Touring Limited, 2nd Floor, A.A. Building, 40, Sir Macan Markar Mawatha, Colombo 3. Tel: (01) 33268, 33269, 32895, Tlx: 22611 TRUST CE, Cable: SERENDIB Colombo. **Marketing Manager: Mr. Rohan Christopher.** (RO) S—Rs. 200/-, Twin—Rs. 300/-, extra bed Rs. 100/-, Meal Rates: Breakfast Rs. 35/-, Lunch—Rs. 65/-, Dinner Rs. 75/- All rates subject to 10% SC. Discount of 25% on room rate to airline staff. Cottage type accommodation, view, Restaurant, Bar, Swimming Pool, spacious Garden, Windsurfing, Water skiing, Boating, approach through Hotel Ceysands, American Express Credit Cards accepted. 100 km from International Airport, 64 km from Colombo.

**EMERALD BAY HOTEL** — Induruwa, Bentota. (R 24). Tel: 034-75353. General Manager: Mr. S. M. A. Hameed, Manager: Mr. Adrian Kulatunga. Managing Agents: Serendib Touring Limited, 2nd Floor, A.A. Building, 40, Sir Macan Markar Mawatha, Colombo 3. Tel: (01) 33268, 33269, 32895, Tlx: 22611 TRUST CE, Cable: SERENDIB Colombo. Marketing Manager: Mr. Rohan Christopher. (RO) S—Rs. 200/- D—Rs. 300, extra bed Rs.100/-, Meal Rates: Breakfast—Rs. 45/-, Lunch—Rs. 65/- Dinner—Rs. 90/- All rates subject to 10% SC. Discount of 25% on room rate to airline staff. Situated directly on the beach, all rooms sea view with Terrace, Attached Toilet, Fans, Restaurant, Bar, Swimming Pool, Large Garden, Windsurfing, Table Tennis, Indoor Games, 105 km. from International Airport, 69 km. from Colombo. American Express Credit Cards accepted. Popular lunch stop.

**HOTEL CEYSANDS (2\*)** — Bentota. (R 84). Tel 034-75073. Reservation: Keells Hotel Management Services Ltd. 130, Glennie Street Colombo 2. Tel: 20862, 27206-8, 21101-10. Manager: Mr. Chandana Amarawardene. Room only SGL or DBL—Rs. 385/-, A/C supplement —Rs. 130/-, Extra Bed—Rs. 90/-, Meals: B'fast—Rs. 50/-, Lunch—Rs. 90/-, Dinner—Rs. 110/-, Plus 10% Service Charge. Health Club, Massage, Tennis, Mini Golf, Windsurfing, Boating Swimming, Conference facilities, 90 minutes from Colombo.

**LIHINIYA SURF HOTEL (2\*)** — Bentota. (R 92). Tel: 034-75126-9, 75486-7. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501, 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTEL CO, 21312 FELIX CE. General Manager: Mr. Ranjan Peiris, Front Office Manager: Mr. Daya Perera. (BB) S—\$ 25, D—\$ 28, (HB) S—\$ 29 D—\$ 33, (FB) S—\$ 33, D—\$ 37, plus 10% SC. Floodlit Tennis, Croquet, Lighted Swimming Pool, Health Club, Putting Green, Mini Golf. Among the Indoor games, Table tennis, Carrom, Darts, Billiards and Video games, Television lounge, Piped music, in all rooms, 24 hour Rooms service, shopping arcade, Hair Dressing Saloon. American Express, Visa, Master and Golden Key Credit Cards accepted. All rooms AC and with perfect Seaview. 2½ hours from International Airport, 1½ hours from Colombo, 5 minutes to Alutgama town. Bentota Railway station opposite the hotel.

**HOTEL SERENDIB**—Bentota. Rooms 90 Telephone: (034) 75248, 75353, 75313 General Manager: S.M.A. Hameed, Marketing Manager: Rohan Christopher, Resident Manager: Lionel Koralage. Managing Agents: Serendib Touring Limited 2nd Floor A.A. Building, 40, Sir Macan Markar Mawatha Colombo 3. Tel: (01) 33268, 33269, 32895. Telex: 22611, TRUST 21701 GLOBAL. Cable: Serendib Colombo. Rates: Room only: S—Rs. 750/-, D—Rs. 1000/-, Tri.—Rs. 1150/-, Meal Rates: Breakfast Rs. 50/-, Lunch Rs. 90/-, Dinner Rs. 110/-, All rates subject to 10% service charge. Discount of 25% on room rate to Airline Staff. Hotel directly on the beach, all rooms seaview with balcony or terrace hot & cold water, attached toilet, radio & piped music. Restaurant, coffee shop, 3 bars, fresh water swimming pool, kiddies pool, TV lounge, large garden, evening entertainment, shopping arcade, hair dressing, massage, squash court, windsurfing, Indoor Games, American Express, Golden Key and Visa credit cards accepted. Conference facilities. 100 km. from International Airport, 64 km. from Colombo.

**WARAHENA WALAUWA**—Warahena Bentota. (R 20) Tel: 034-75372, 3, 4, Cable: BEACHINNS Colombo. Tlx: 21104 BOSWIT CE. Manager: Mr. A.C. Munasinghe, Agents & Secretaries: Whitall Boustead Ltd. 148, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 29161 (17 lines). AC—EP (S)—US\$ 11.00 (D)—US\$ 16.50. Breakfast US\$ 2.00, Lunch SS\$ 2.50, Dinner US\$ 3.00 10% SC. All Rooms AC, Telephone, Hot and Cold water, Piped music, Laundry, 2 Bars, Restaurant, Television lounge, Foreign Currency encashment, Cars for hire, Excursion to places of interest in locality, Swimming pool, Sea bathing. American Express, Visa, Master Credit Cards accepted. 2½ hours to international Airport, 10 mts. to Aluthgama town, 6 km from Bentota.

**TRITON HOTEL (5\*)**—Ahungalla. (R 125). Tel: 09-27218, 27228. Cable: AITKEN. Tlx: 21788 AIR ACE. General Manager: Mr. Mahinda Ratnayake. Reservation Representative: Aitken Spence Hotels Ltd., 315, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 547161, 26767, 33755. (FB) S—Rs. 1875/-, D—Rs. 2650/-, Tri.—Rs. 3225/- (HB) S—Rs. 1730/-, D—Rs. 2360/-, Tri.—Rs. 2790/-, (BB) S—Rs. 1540/-, D—Rs. 1980/-, Tri—Rs. 2220/-, (RO) S—Rs. 1465/-, D—Rs.

1830/-, Tri.-Rs.1995/-, (GIT) (FB) S-Rs. 1735/-, D-Rs. 2475/-, Tri.-Rs. 3050/-, (HB) S-Rs. 1590/-, D-Rs. 2185/-, Tri.-Rs. 2615/-, (BB) S-Rs. 1400/-, D-Rs. 1805/-, Tri.-Rs. 2045/-, (RO) S-Rs. 1325/-, D-Rs. 1655/-, Tri.-Rs. 1820/-, 10% SC. Rooms AC. All rooms with Telephone, Piped Music, Hot and Cold Water, Private Balcony overlooking sea, Swimming Pool, Health Club and Massage, Super Club, Coffee Shop, Resident Bar, Lobby Bar, Pool Bar, Tennis, Badminton, Billiards, Conference Hall, Gymnasium, Hairdresser, Shopping Arcade, Library. American Express, Master and Visa accepted. Taxi Service, 3 hours from International Airport. 10 minutes from Ambalangoda. Beach Hotel with Life Guard Service, Animation Programme.

#### AMBALANGODA 83 km

**AMBALANGODA REST HOUSE** - (R 18). Tel: 09 - 27299. Reservation: Keells Hotel Management Services Ltd., 130, Glennie Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 20862, 27206, 29421. Manager: Mr. Francis Fonseka. Rates: (FIT or -GIT) (BB) S-Rs. 100/-, D-Rs. 150/- + 10% SC. Extra Bed Rs. 50/-, Breakfast Rs. 30/-, Lunch Rs. 65/-, Dinner Rs. 70/-. 2 hours from Colombo. 8 rooms in new wing overlooking Sea with Private Balcony, All rooms with Bath and Fan. Service include Restaurants, Bar and Laundry, Natural Pool, Sundry Buffet and Barbeque night.

**KOSGODA BEACH RESORT** - P. O. Box 1, Nape, Kosgoda. 70 miles from Airport, approximately 5 miles off Bentota. Tel: 09/27517-27527 Manager: Mr. Sanath Kumarasinghe, Colombo Liaison Office: 137, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 28144 & 29201 - 5, Tlx: 21640 SMRVL CE. 50 AC Chalets with private verandah, located between the Sea and Lagoon with Hot and Cold water, Telephone, Piped music, Batik shop, Swimming pool, Television room, Night Club, Laundry, Boating, Wind-surfing, Indoor games, Tennis, Badminton, etc. Rates: Winter - R/O Rs. 900/-, Summer - R/O Rs. 400/-, Foreign currency encashment - American Express, Visa & Master Cards accepted.

#### HIKKADUWA 99 km.

**CORAL GARDENS HOTEL** - Hikkaduwa. (156 AC Rooms including 8 Suites and Penthouse) Tel: 09 - 23023, 22189, Cables: HOLIDAY, Tlx: Colombo

21104. **Director/General Manager:** Mr. S. M. Hapugoda, **Manager:** Mr. D. K. Kuruppu. Reservation Representative: Whittall Boustead Ltd., 148, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 29161 (17 lines). (RO) SWB-US\$ 38-46, TWB-US\$ 42-50, Suite/Penthouse-US\$ 55-85. Special Volume Discounts over 20 Rooms over 20 Room nights, Breakfast US\$ 3, Lunch US\$ 5, Dinner US\$ 7, Extra Bed US\$ 5, plus 10% SC. All Rooms with Telephone, Bath Tub, Hot and Cold water, Piped Music, Mechanical Laundry. Same day service, Left Luggage, Valet Service, Bars and Restaurants (including Speciality Restaurant), Coffee shop, Banqueting Hall, Conference Facilities, Discotheque/Night Club, Fresh Water Swimming Pool surrounded by well laid out garden, Kiddies Pool, Reading room, Television lounge, Daily Entertainment, Indoor games, Gymnasium, Sauna and Health Club, AC, Squash Court, Under water Sports, Glass bottom, Boats to view beautiful Corals, Boating Plane Sailing, Fishing, Windsurfing, 24 Hour Room Service, Shopping Arcade, Hair Dresser, Book Shop, Jewellery, Batik, Kiosks, Casino, American Express, Visa, Master card Credit accepted. 3½ hours to international Airport, 10 minutes from Bus Stop/Railway Station.

**CORAL ROCK HOTEL** (1\*) - 340, Galle Road, Hikkaduwa. (R 40 - Inclusive 20 AC Rooms). Tel: 09 - 22021. **General Manager:** Mr. K.D. Ellawala. FIT (RO) SWB/DWB Rs. 150-300, TRI Rs. 200-350, GIT (RO) SWB/DWB Rs. 200, TRI-Rs. 300/-, Meals per pax. Breakfast Rs. 40/-, Lunch Rs. 60/-, Dinner Rs. 80/- plus 10% SC. Airline discount 15% Room Rate. Bar, Restaurant, Encashment, Laundry, Safe Lockers, Sea-food specialities. Discotheque/Night Club, Glass bottomed boat, Snorkelling, Scuba diving, Deep sea fishing, Windsurfing and Safe Sea bathing area overlooking famous coral formations.

**CORAL SANDS HOTEL** - 326, Galle Road, Hikkaduwa. (R 50). Tel: 09 - 22436, 583851 Colombo. **Manager:** Mr. Sriyan R. Liyanage. (RO) Rs. 200/- to Rs. 450/-, Rs. 350/- to 600/-, (BB) Rs. 225/- to 475/-, Rs. 400/- to 650/-, Skin diving, Surfing, Glass bottom Boat, All kinds of Water Sports and Diving Station, American Express Cards, Visa, Master Cards accepted.

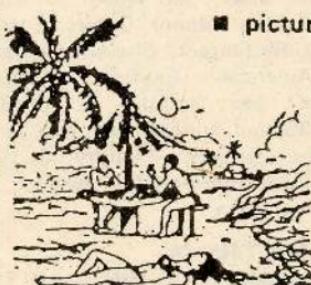
**HOTEL BLUE CORALS, (1\*),** 332, Galle Road, Hikkaduwa. International Award Winner 1982 & 1983. (R 54) Tel: 09-22679. Cables: "CORAL" Hikkaduwa. Manager: Mr. P. Sanath de Saram. Managing Agents: Ceylon Travels & Tourist Resorts Ltd. 117, Uyana Road, Lunawa, Moratuwa, Tel: 505575. Off-season rates (May—October) (RO) D-US\$ 8—16 (Rs. 200/-—400/-), S-US\$ 6—13 (Rs. 150/-—300/-), Tri: US\$ 12—19 (Rs. 300/-—500/-), B'fast US\$ 1.8 (Rs. 40/-), Lunch: US\$ 2.5 (Rs. 60/-), Dinner: US\$ 3 (Rs. 70/-). Extra bed—Adults: US\$ 4 (Rs. 100/-), Cot—child: US\$ 2 (Rs. 50/-) Swimming pool, Kiddies pool, two bars, excellent sea food, Western & Oriental cuisine. Shopping, travel counter, glass bottom boats, excursions to tea & rubber estates, gem mines, national parks, vehicles, Deep sea fishing arranged. Pvt. coach from Colombo Fort Railway Station. ½ km. from Hikkaduwa Railway Station.

**HOTEL LANKA SUPERCORALS LTD.** 390, Galle Road, Hikkaduwa. Tel: 09-22897, 23387, Manager: Mr. Wimal Dassanayake. (RO 93) (RO) SWB—Rs. 500/-, DWB—Rs. 550/- Breakfast Rs. 60/-, Lunch Rs. 70/-, Dinner Rs. 100/-, Extra Bed Rs. 100/- AC Rooms Rs. 150/- extra 10% SC. For Air Lines 15% discount on accommodation. Sea

15% discount on accommodation. Sea View Rooms, Balcony/Terrace, Swimming Pool, Spacious Garden, Indoor Games, Foreign Currency Encashments, Amex Cards accepted. 3½ hours from International Airport. 10 minutes from Hikkaduwa Railway Station/Bus stop.

**HOTEL REFFCOMBER**—Hikkaduwa Rooms 54 (Air-conditioned). Tel: (092) 3374. General Manager: S.M.A. Hameed Marketing Manager: Rohan Christopher Resident Manager: Upali Samarasakara Managing Agents: Serendib Touring Limited 2nd Floor A.A. Building 40, Sir Macan Markar Mawatha, Colombo 3. Tel: (01) 33268, 33269, 32895, Fx: 22611 TRUST 21701 GLOBAL, Cable: Serendib Colombo. Rates: Room only: S—Rs. 600/-, D—Rs. 750/-, Tri:—Rs. 850/- Meal Rates: Breakfast Rs. 45/- Lunch Rs. 75/- Dinner Rs. —90/- All rates subject to 10% service charge. Discount of 25% on room rate to airline staff. Air-conditioned hotel situated directly on the beach, all rooms seaview, hot & cold water, telephone radio & piped music, balcony. Terrace on sundeck, swimming pool, restaurant, lounge and bar (air-conditioned), pool bar, night club,

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#### GALLE 116 km.

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#### KOGGALA/HABARADUWA

**HOTEL HORIZON (2\*)** – Koggala, Habaraduwa, (R 74). Tel: 09 - 53297, 53229, Tlx: 21138 VAVALEX CE.

**Manager:** Mr. Sanatha Walaliyadde. Reservation and Managing Agents: Mercantile Hotel Managements Ltd., 51, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 28708, 549149, 540533, 549150, 26611 - 9. **General Manager:** Mr. Bodhisiri Ranasinghe. Non-AC (RO) SWB – Rs. 350/- TWB – Rs. 400/- (BB) SWB – Rs. 400/- TWB – Rs. 500/- (FB) SWB – Rs. 590/-, TWB – Rs. 880/-, AC RS. 125/- extra. All Rooms seaview. Hot and Cold Water, Telephone and Piped Music, Fresh Water Swimming Pool, Sea Bathing, Snorkeling, Boating, Cycling, Tennis, Badminton, Mini Golf Course, Taxi Stand, Shopping Arcade. American Express accepted. Excellent cuisine and well stocked bar. International Airport 3½ hrs, 20 minutes to nearest city, Galle.

**KOGGALA BEACH HOTEL** – Koggala, Habaraduwa, (R 189). Tel:

09 - 53260, 53243 & 53244. Contact 552220 or 553599 Colombo, Cables: KOGBEACH. **Manager:** Mr. Anura Selvaratnam. (RO) SWB – Rs. 250/-, TWB – Rs. 250/-, (BB) SWB – Rs. 290/-, TWB – Rs. 330/-, AC Room extra Rs. 100/-. SC 10%. Indoor Games, Tennis, Swimming, Restaurants, Shopping Arcade, Disco, American Express accepted, Badminton, Sea Bathing, all Rooms Seaview, Boating, Hairdressing, Mini Zoo, Life Guard Service, Laundry Service, 3 hours from International Airport, 30 minutes from Galle.

#### WELIGAMA 140 km.

**WELIGAMA BAY INN** – (R 11). 3 hours from Colombo. Tel: 0415 - 299, Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 and 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTEKO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. **Manager:** Mr. Leslie Tilakaratne. S – Rs. 150/-, D – Rs. 175/-, (RO) S – Rs. 190/-, D – Rs.

255/- (BB); S - Rs. 335/-, D - Rs. 545/- (AI). 10% SC. Located by the Sea. Restaurant and Bar, Sea bathing, Sea Food, Fishing and Boating.

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### TANGALLA 195 km.

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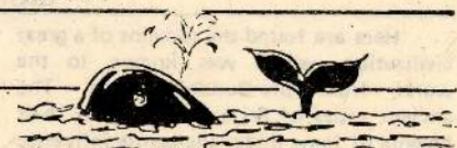
### HAMBANTOTA 238 km.

### TISSAMAHARAMA 264 km.

**TISSAMAHARAMA REST HOUSE** - (R 60). 305 km from Colombo. Tel: Tissamaharama 231. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS, Colombo. Manager: Mr. Mahesh Wijesinghe. (RO) S - Rs. 250/-, D - Rs. 275/-; (BB) S - Rs. 290/-, D - Rs. 355/-; (AI) S - Rs. 435/-, D - Rs. 645/-, 10% SC. Situated on the bank of ancient Tissa Wewa reservoir close to Tissa Dagaba. Ideal base for tour of Ruhuna National Park - Yala. Fine Bird watching. Restaurant and Bar facilities.

## EAST COAST

The East Coast, even less populated than the rest, becomes the ideal resort from April to November when the South West Monsoon comes to the West Coast. Here is in fact the ideal refuge for the beach addict. Many bays, coral and sunken wrecks. Plenty of facilities for a



deep sea fishing and plain lazing on the beach. The Nilaveli area is now developed with several hotels to serve your needs. None of the high-rise types. All planned to

merge with the scenery around. The Dutch Fort at Trincomalee, last taken over by the British, is still the centre of administration. Most of the beach territory is still unexplored. Trincomalee harbour is the largest natural harbour in the world. There are many sheltered bays to go boating to. Shell collector's dream. Fine boat excursions up the Mahaweli River, which empties itself to the sea at Trincomalee. Nearby are the hot springs at Kinniya, whose waters are said to be efficacious. Legend dates them to the days of the Ramayana. A few miles away from the Nilaveli, is the ancient Buddhist temple at Tiriyal — a Vatadage or circular relic chamber, with fine sculpture still preserved. The temple is on a hill overlooking both the sea and the interior.

Recently schools of blue sperm and bird Whales have made their habitat off the coast of Trincomalee. This area has been declared a Sanctuary and tourists could take the opportunity of seeing these mammoth sea mammals gambol in the tranquil sea.



Other places of interest on the East Coast are Batticaloa, a few miles off which a diver could view wrecks, one of which is the aircraft carrier, H.M.S. Hermes sunk by Japanese bombing in 1942; the Lagoon here is famous for its "Singing Fish" — Batticaloa also has a well preserved Dutch Fort, Kalkudah/Passekudah has quiet bays for sea bathing, and Arugam Bay for surfing and wind surfing.

### TRINCOMALEE 256 Km

PASSEKUDAH/KALKUDAH — 280 km. The National Holiday Resort,

Passekudah, of the Ceylon Tourist Board, (67 km from Polonnaruwa and 286 km from Colombo) fringes the Passekudah Bay, which is reputed for the safest sea bathing in the island.

Here in shallow water, where one could wade in, could be seen exquisite coral formations and a variety of many-coloured tropical fish. The bay and the outer sea at Passekudah are ideal for scuba diving, sailing, bathing and boating.

### JAFFNA

In the North, is lagoon-laced, Jaffna — 384 km from Colombo, accessible by road, rail and air. Jaffna, bleakly beautiful, is so different from the rest of the Island, and is the perfect complement to the other regions. In place of the green of South is the sparse soil of the North, from which the industrious Northern farmers coax a multiplicity of crops, from rice to chillies, onions and grapes. Here the palmyrah tree replaces the coconut, giving a toddy which is believed to be even better and more nutritious than coconut toddy of the South. The culture is predominantly Dravidian, Hindu. Jaffna, too offers excellent prospects for the beach buff, the most famous being Casuarina Beach at Karainagar and the beaches at Santhankulam and Thondaimannar.

Of special interest are the limestone caverns at Kerudavil; tidal well at Neerveli; the offshore Delft Islands, where wild ponies roam; Nagadipa, a place believed to have been sanctified by visit of the Buddha; old Dutch Fort on the island of Hammeneil; Buddhist Ruins at Kantharodai; Jaffna Fort with gibbet still standing, many Hindu temples with ceremonial chariots.

*Due to the unsettled conditions prevailing, it would be advisable for visitors to avoid the North and North Eastern Coasts for the present.*

## ANCIENT CITIES

ANURADHAPURA,  
POLONNARUWA,  
SIGIRIYA

Here are found the remains of a great civilization, which was known to the world from pre-Buddhist days. The ancient cities of Sri Lanka grew to their heights of fame under the gentle influence of Buddhism, where grandeur was expressed in huge Dagabas and gigantic man-made reservoirs. Here was Buddhism preserved in its purest (Theravada) form.



These cities, now re-claimed from the jungle, and protected are the home of many ancient temples, reservoirs, luxuriant parks declared by the ancient kings as sanctuaries for every living thing, stone bridges, exquisite sculpture and rare frescoes.

**N.B. Regarding permit for Photography, see introductory section.**

#### **ANURADHAPURA 206 km.**

Founded in the 5th century B.C. Anuradhapura the "Anurogrammum" of Ptolemy, sent ambassadors to the Courts of Rome and Peking, and was a well-known city even before the advent of Buddhism. It has been described in the superlative by ancient travellers such as Fa-Hsien, the Buddhist pilgrim from China. Here is found the largest number of ancient monuments of the great Sinhala civilization which flourished in this region. Taking pride of place is the Sri Maha Bodhi over 2,200 years old, grown from a branch of the very tree under which the Buddha attained Enlightenment . . . . the oldest historically documented tree in the world. In an area which is larger than today's Greater London are monuments such as the Ruvaneliseya Dagaba, 2nd century B.C. with its famous elephant well; the Thuparama Dagaba — 3rd century B.C.; the Abhayagiri Dagaba; Jetawanaramaya Dagaba; the Pillars of the Brazen Palace which once had nine storeys; the image of the Samadhi Buddha, one of the finest places of Buddhist sculpture; the Twin-ponds, Guardstones, Moonstones in fine preservation, Stone Bridges from the old highways, the Sculptured lovers of Isurumuniya; and huge man-made reservoirs such as the Nuwarawewa, Tissawewa and Basawakkulama.

#### **POLONNARUWA 216 km.**

Polonnaruwa rose to fame as the capital after the decline of Anuradhapura. Its period of greatness was from the 10th to 12th centuries A.D. The entire landscape of the regions is punctuated by huge man-made reservoirs, veritable inland seas — the most famous of which is the Parakrama Samudra or the Sea of Parakrama, larger in size than the

Colombo Harbour. The monuments of this city mainly date from the reigns of Parakrama Bahu the Great and King Nissanka Malla. Within a small area which was formerly the royal enclave and the religious centre are found numerous monuments of the period. Don't miss the Gal Vihara complex, with the fine sculptures of the recumbent, standing and seated Buddhas; the Tivanka Image House with the best known Buddhist Frescoes of Sri Lanka.

#### **SIGIRIYA 169 km.**

Removed from these cities architecturally, politically and spiritually is Sigiriya, 66 km. from Polonnaruwa the rock fortress built by the patricide King Kassapa in the 5th century A.D. it was an impregnable retreat of steps and stairways with a palace crowning the summit. But today Sigiriya is a treasure trove of rare art. In a pocket of the giant rock are the famous frescoes of the "Heavenly Maidens of Sigiriya" — remnants of an enormous gallery which once contained five hundred frescoes. To reach Sigiriya turn at Inamaluwa junction off Dambulla — Habarana Road.

#### **DAMBULLA 149 km.**

A vast isolated rock mass like Sigiriya, Rangiri (the Golden Rock) or Dambulla (19 km) from Sigiriya was one of the retreats chosen by King Vattha Gamini Abhaya, when he was driven from Anuradhapura by the Tamils in the 1st century B.C. On regaining his throne, he turned, the caves which had sheltered him into a rock temple. They were restored and redecorated by later Kings.

Some of the frescoes in these caves are over 2,000 years old. There is also a colossal figure of the recumbent Buddha 47 ft. long (14 metres) carved out of rock.

*For permits for photography; see Introduction.*

The Dambulla temple is closed from 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. daily.

## **ACCOMMODATION ANCIENT CITIES**

**Information with regard to rates in all Accommodation Units listed in this book has been supplied by the Hotels/Guest Houses.**

#### **ANURADHAPURA**

**MIRIDIYA HOTELS LTD. (1\*) —**  
Rowing Club Road, Anuradhapura.  
(R 50). Tel: 025 - 2519, 2112. Executive  
Director: Mr. Mohan De Silva. (RO)

AC SWB—Rs. 370/-, TWB—Rs. 400/-  
(RÖ) Non AC SWB—Rs. 270/-, TWB—  
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#### **RAJARATA HOTELS LTD.**

Rowing Club Road, Anuradhapura. (R 101, 70 AC and 31 Non AC) Tel: 025-2578. Asst. Manager: Mr. Mohan De Silva. Cables: RAJARATA, Telex: 21912 CE. Colombo Office: Tel: 27634, 26893, 548870. SWB (AC) Rs. 350/-, TWB (AC) - Rs. 400/-, SWB (Non AC) - Rs. 300/-, TWB (Non AC) - Rs. 350/-, Plus 10% SC. Meals Breakfast Rs. 50/-, Lunch Rs. 70/-, Dinner Rs. 80/-, Plus 10% SC. Extra Bed Rs. 100/-, Hot and Cold Water, Swimming Pool, A-la-Carte Menu, International Direct Dialling, Foreign Currency Encashment, American Express, Air Conditioned Bar, Rooftop Bar with Lake View (5th Floor), Laundry, Travel, Travel Information Desk, Shopping Arcade, Colour Television.

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#### **POLONNARUWA**

**HOTEL AMALIAN NIVAS (1\*)** - National Holiday Resorts, Polonnaruwa. (R 36), Tel: 541198, 548457 and 548458, Polonnaruwa 027-2405. Tlx: 21547 HANTEX CE, Managing Director: Mr. Sharad D. Amalean. Manager: Mr. H.B. Herath, Sales Manager: Mr. W.A. Pakiyarajah. Managed by Harrisons Hotel Ltd., 137, Main Street Colombo 11 (RO) SWB - Rs. 275/-, TWB - Rs. 300/-, (BB) SWB - Rs. 315/-, TWB - Rs. 380/-, plus 10% SC, AC double rooms with Hot and

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**HOTEL SERUWA. (2\*)** - Polonnaruwa. (R 40). Tel: 027-2411 & 2412. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501, 23504. Operations Manager: Mr. N. Jayatilleke. (RO) SWB - Rs. 250/-, TWB - Rs. 250/-, (BB) SWB - Rs. 295/-, TWB - Rs. 340/-, (AI) SWB - Rs. 445/-, TWB - Rs. 640/- and 10% SC. Centrally AC, Double Rooms with Hot and Cold water, Attached Baths and Telephones, Restaurant and Bar, Swimming Pool, Boating and Piped music.

**POLONNARUWA REST HOUSE** - (R 10). 216 km. from Colombo. Tel: 027-2299. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: Mr. A. K. S.

**Senathilaka.** (RO) S — Rs. 200/-, D — Rs. 250/-; (BB) S — Rs. 240/-, D — Rs. 330/-, (AI) S — Rs. 385/-, D — Rs. 620/- plus 10% SC. 5 Rooms with AC — Rs. 75/- extra. 5 Rooms with Hot water. Located on the bank of ancient reservoir Parakrama Samudra. Overlooking ruins of Polonnaruwa. Restaurant and Bar, Fishing and Boating.

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**CAMP SITE** — National Holiday Resort, Giritale. Tel: Giritale 534.

**HOTEL SIGIRIYA—SIGIRIYA** Rooms 50, Telephone: (066) 8311. General Manager: S.M.A. Hameed, Marketing Manager: Rohan Christopher, Resident Manager: Herman Gonsal. Managing Agents Serendib Touring Limited, 2nd Floor A.A. Building 40, Sir Macan Markar Mawatha, Colombo 3. Tel: (01) 33268, 33269, 32895. Telex: 22611 TRUST 21701 GLOBAL, Cable: Serendib Colombo. Rates: Room only: S—Rs. 325/-, TWN — Rs. 375/-, Tri — Rs. 425/- Meal Rates: Breakfast Rs. 45/-, Lunch Rs. 65/-, Dinner Rs. 90/-. All rates subject to 10% service charge. Discount of 25% on room rate to airline staff. Set against the magnificent backdrop of the Sigiriya rock fortress, rooms with terrace, fans, attached toilet, hot & cold water. Restaurant bar, swimming pool, tennis, indoor games, table tennis, close proximity to Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa & Dambulla, large garden. American Express, Credit Cards accepted. 155 km. from International Airport 170 km. from Colombo.

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### DAMBULLA

**DAMBULLA REST HOUSE** — (R 4). 149 km. from Colombo. Tel: Dambulla 066 - 8299. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: Mr. J.D.M. Tilakeratne. (RO) S—Rs. 150/-, D—Rs. 175/-, (BB) S—Rs. 190/-, D—Rs. 255/- (AI) S—Rs. 335/-, D—Rs. 545/-, 10% SC. Bar facilities. Close to Dambulla Rock Temple. Ideal stopover for meals and refreshment on way to Polonnaruwa and Trincomalee.

## KANDY



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Many who have heard of Sri Lanka have only heard of beautiful, jewel-like Kandy — the Hill Capital, venue of the annual Perahera. This last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings have finally ceded to the British in 1815, after resisting the Portuguese, Dutch and British for three centuries. After Colombo, the capital, Kandy is the most visited place in the island.

Seat of Kandyan Kings from 14th century here history is part of contemporary life. It is a repository of Sinhala culture, having traditions dating back to the origins of Sinhala civilisation — seen specially in dances and rituals. Kandy is an example of Buddhism's influence in Sri Lanka today. Temples, shrines and monasteries — keeping alive Buddhist traditions are everywhere. There are



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probably more Buddhist monks in Kandy than in any other city in the island. To Buddhists of Sri Lanka and the world, Kandy is one of the most sacred sites, for it is the home of the **Dalada Maligawa** — **Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic of the Buddha**. Pilgrims come daily from all over to worship at the Maligawa and participate in "poojas" when the sound of Kandyan drums echo through the city at dawn, pre-noon and dusk. **A fee of Rs. 6/- is levied for services of a guide at the Maligawa. There is no entry fee.**

### Orchids

Theres so much to see in Kandy the average tourist often misses most. The usual tour includes — Drive round the beautiful Lake (1807) gifted to Kandy by its last King, visit to Temple of the Tooth Relic (Inner Temple built 17th Century), The Royal Botanic Gardens at Peradeniya (originally the Sinhala Queen's pleasure garden 14 century — wide and rare collection of tropical and temperate, exotic and indigenous flora, many avenues and walks, lawns, spice garden, Herbarium and Orchid House with largest collection in Asia, Picturesque campus of the University, Elephants

are bathed in river streams at several places in Kandy, and along the Colombo — Kandy Road.

But Kandy does not end with this. There's so much to see, feel and discover here. If you can help it don't make Kandy a whistle-stop point in your tour. Try to set apart three days.

Other places to see — Museum behind Temple of the Tooth. Housed in part of former Queen's Palace. Exhibits from Kandyan period. Audience Hall of former Kings — fine carvings in wood, roof in traditional Kandyan design. King's Palace — next to Temple of the Tooth, now archaeological museum part of European architecture attributed to use of Portuguese prisoners-of-war for building. **Uduwatte-kele** — nature reserve surrounded by city (probably only such reserve in the world). Excellent for short excursions and walks. Plenty of bird life, monkeys. Fine views of Kandy town and Dumbara valley.

### Temples

Temples and Shrines: **Malwatte Temple** (across Lake from Maligawa) and **Asgiriya Temple** ..... Buddhist monasteries dating from Kandyan period.



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Some of the old monastic architecture seen in Malwatta cubicles. Asgiriya has excellent collection of medieval ivory, carvings, Buddha images, combs, 'old' book covers, etc. (seen only by special request — Photography may not be permitted); **Lankatilaka Vihara** (14 Century) from Daulagala Road . . . . . temple bears some resemblance to Norwegian church architecture; built on rock out-crop overlooking rice fields below, fine seated Buddha image and "makara" arch in shrine room; **Degaldoruwa** (14 Century) turn off at Nattaranpotta junction . . . . Excellent Buddhist frescoes of Kandyan period. Work of novice monk depicts "Jataka" tales — previous incarnations of Buddha; paintings show clothing and modes of Kandyan period; very good statues of recumbent and seated Buddhas in inner rock cave; **Gadaladeniya** (14 Century) . . . . turn off 65th mile Kadugannawa-Kandy Road . . . . impressive statue of large seated Buddha in Shrine room. Moonstone and two fine balustrades of sculptured elephants at entrance to shrine room; medieval rock inscription. Best example of stone work during this period; **Medawala**, approached from Ranawana Road at Katugastota Junction . . . . Temple situated at ancient site. Present shrine room 14 Century built of wattle and daub, wooden floor supported on stone pillars. Crumbling but excellent frescoes depicting events in the life of the Buddha and "Jataka tales". Fine wooden door and "Makara" arch; **Hindagala Vihara** 6th mile Peradeniya-Galah Road — Cave temple. Large reclining statue of Buddha. Frescoes from several periods. Some date from Kandyan period. Those on cave roof believed to be earliest period of Sinhala frescoes. **Embekke Devale** (17 Century), approached from Daulagala Road . . . . shrine dedicated to Skanda, Hindu God of War, excellent wood carvings of Kandyan period on pillars. Variety of designs, motifs and depictions. Embekke pillars easily best examples of medieval wood carving seen in Sri Lanka. Within town, four devalas (shrines) of Hindu deities considered by Buddhists to be subservient to Buddha . . . . Vishnu, guardian deity of the island; Skanda, God of War and Victory; Natha, the tutelary God and Pattini, the Goddess of Chastity.

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glass of crucifixion; memorial plaques to many British planters and colonial administrators, and those who died in foreign wars, including Crimean war. **Garrison Cemetery** — Road behind Kandy Museum . . . . first British cemetery in Kandy; **War cemetery**, Halloluwa . . . . commemorates dead of World War 2; **Fountain** (near Laksala) built by British planters in memory of comrades who died in Boer War. **Trinity College Chapel**, Christian Church built in Kandyan style, good contemporary Christian frescoes in Sinhala tradition.

### Arts & Crafts

In and around Kandy are still preserved some of the distinctive arts and crafts of the Sinhala people. **Dumbara mats** . . . . hemp mats woven in Dumbara Valley. Simple, but distinctive design, good wall hangings as well; **Lacquer work** from Ukuwela . . . . a variety of items decorated and finished in lac (an insect secretion) . . . ashtrays, trinket boxes, betel trays, walking sticks, flag poles etc. Handloom textiles woven in traditional Kandyan designs at Menikdiwela; **Silver, Brass and Copper** work from Nattaranpotta and Danture . . . . exquisite silver damascene work filigree trays and wall plaques in beaten copper and brass. Schools of Kandyan dancing at Nugawela and Medawela . . . . observe training the intricate forms of the Kandyan dance; also listen to Kandyan drumming.

**Note:** Both Kandyan dancing and drumming are best performed as part of ritual of ceremony. It is not a form of entertainment and dancers are rarely at their best during "put on" shows. Always inquire for a perahera or village ritual. However, some travel agents arrange good performances by expert dancers, whose families have preserved the skills for generations.

### Shopping

Kandy has plenty to offer to fill up your shopping bag. There's plenty of space in a good Kandyan basket. Don't miss the **Kandyan Arts & Crafts Association** showroom. (opposite Lake near Red Cross) . . . . good buys include silver filigree, jewellery with semi-precious stones, copper and brass ornaments and drums. You could even see some of the traditional craftsmen at work; **Laksala**, Kandy wide range of handicrafts. **Premadasa & Co.** (Jewellers) Ltd. 692 Peradeniya

Road, Kandy, the well known miners, exporters and wholesalers of Sri Lanka gems, also have a wide selection of fine Sri Lanka gems, gem-set jewellery and handicraft items for the individual shopper. When in Kandy do not just ask for a batik, ask for one with a Kandyan design. It will be more distinctive. Kandy has also several good gem and jewellery dealers. Hemachandras (Kandy) Ltd., have been reputed jewellers for a very long time. Other reputed jewellers in Kandy are Sifani Jewellers, who have branches in Colombo and Beruwela as well. Ceygems International, 562, Peradeniya Road, Kandy. Stocks the best in Sri Lankan Gems and Jewellery, have a rare selection of Precious Stones to satisfy the most discerning and fastidious tastes.

To feel the bustle of present day Kandy, don't miss the Kandy Market. An exciting experience in bazaar shopping for the unusual. Fruits a plenty, from pineapples and mangoes to avocados and mangosteens. Many varieties of banana, reedware, baskets, leather goods, sarees . . . bargaining is allowed. Very good jaggery; delicious fudge made from the treacle of "kitul" palm available

here. Also most Sri Lanka spices . . . cloves, nutmeg, cardamom, cinnamon, turmeric, local coffee, dried beans of powder a good buy. Be warned of touts.

**K. V. G. DE SILVA & SONS (KANDY)** — 86, Trincomalee Street. Tel: 08 - 23254 have a wide selection of books on Sri Lanka.

#### Hunas Falls

26 km. from Kandy is the Hunasgiriya Peak and the beautiful waterfall which gets its name from the peak, 3,000 ft. above sea level, Hunas Falls area is most picturesque and has an excellent climate. The Hunas Falls cascades down through lovely tea country and the water is trapped below in the lake, where trout is hatched for angling. Situated at the middle reaches of the Falls is the Hunas Falls Hotel one of the most picturesquely located hotels in the island. It is set in a tea and spice plantation, where most of Sri Lanka's spices as well as lemon grass are grown. Fascinating sunsets light up the whole range of mountains for miles around.

**Photography & Recording** — Most old temples in Kandy are archaeological preserves. Permits are needed for Photo-

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**Affaire de coeur**

People fall in love with Hunas Falls, so much beauty peace comfort serenity. A love affair develops . . . an affair of the heart . . . between tourist and tea garden, visitor and magnificent vista of misty mountains dominated by Hunasgiriya Peak: between hotel guest and gardens redolent with the heady spices of the Orient. A mountain stream flows into a picturesque trout - stocked lake . . . under a lovers bridge and then into a shimmering cascade that is Hunas Falls. People come and go - but they always come back to Hunas Falls!

**Hunas Falls Hotels Ltd.**

Reservations — Tel: 29964, 20716 or 0876402, 0876403

Transworks House, Lower Chatham St. Colombo 1.

TELEX: 21182 Cossack Colombo

graphy. Special charges for photography and sound recording at Temple of the Tooth Relic. See introduction for details.

### Aluvihara

28 km. from Kandy, 3 km. from Matale . . . . . this temple is of special significance. Dates back to 1st century B.C. it was here that the fourth "Sangayana" or convocation of the Buddhist Order was held, which put down in writing the teachings of the Buddha. Aluviharaya had been a temple of importance from the time of its first construction. There are traces of frescoes in some of the caves around the temple. Of 10 drip-ledged caves, four bear Brahmi inscriptions. One cave which houses a shrine room has frescoes of the Kandyan period. The ancient convocation of the Sangha is commemorated annually with a Perahera; the Aluvihara Sangayana Perahera. Daily 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. visitors to the temple will be able to see Buddhist monks inscribing the Tripitaka - Buddhist chronicles on ola leaf in traditional manner; stylus held in thumb nail.

Preparation of ola leaves, too, could be seen - No charge.

### Tours

**TALLMAN TOURS** - Operates a whole day-tour of Kandy. The tour includes the main attractions of Kandy and interesting stops enroute. Departures from Mount Lavinia Hotel and Hotel Ceylon Inter-Continental at 0740 hours and 0810 hours respectively. The Price is inclusive of lunch. Contact 573931, 574015 for information and reservations.

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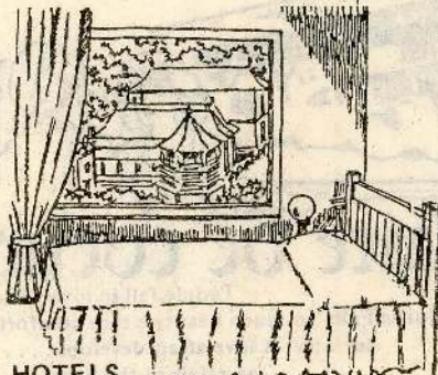
The Ceylon Tourist Board maintains an information desk to assist tourists at the Kandyan Arts and Crafts Association (near Red Cross), Tel: 08 - 22661. Open only on weekdays from 0830 hours to 1645 hours.

### Postal & Telegraph

Post Office, Kandy situated near main Kandy Railway Station. Open 24 hours for telephone and cable services. Disturbance fee will be charged after normal hours. Poste Restante - Tel: 22522.

## ACCOMMODATION IN KANDY

Information with regard to rates in all Accommodation Units listed in this book has been supplied by the Hotels/Guest Houses.



### HOTELS

**CHALET** - No. 32, Gregory Road, Kandy. (R 35). Tel: 08 - 24353, Cable: **CHALET**. Proprietor/Managing Director: Mr. Fred E. De Silva, General Manager: Mr. Noel Jansz. (RO) Rs. 250/- to Rs. 350/-, (BB) Rs. 240/- to Rs. 430/-, (AI) Rs. 380/- to Rs. 710/-, Rs. 485/- to Rs. 940/- Grp. Tariff (RO) Rs. 200/- to Rs. 300/-. Location 1½ miles from Railway Station, Kandy. A/C, Swimming Pool, Tennis, Dry Cleaning and Laundry,

Health Club, Room Service, Afternoon tea services, Vegetable/Special diet, Sports Club, Taxi Service, Shopping arcade, Restaurant, Medical facilities. Encashment of Foreign Currency, Parking, facilities for ch. Night porter, T.V.

**HOTEL HILLTOP (2\*)** - 200/21, Bahirawakanda, Peradeniya Road, Kandy (R 57) Tel: 08 - 24162/23892. Cable: AITKEN Colombo. Tlx: 21788 AIR ACE CE. General Manager: Mr. Manilal Gunasekara. Reservations: Aitken Spence Hotels Ltd, 315, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 547161/26767. (RO) SWB - Rs. 465/-, DWB - Rs. 510/-, (BB) SWB - Rs. 510/-, DWB - Rs. 610/- (FB) SWB - Rs. 685/- DWB - Rs. 950/- 10% SC. Rooms with private balcony. Hot water. AC, Telephone, piped music, Swimming pool, indoor games, batik/jewellery shops. Laundry/Taxi service. Amex, Visa, Euro, Master, JCB Cards accepted. 3 hours International Airport, 5 minutes Kandy town.



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**HOTEL THILANKA** — 3, Sangamitta Mawatha, Kandy. (R 65). Director: Gamini Goonewardena, Manager: Gemunu Ratwatte. Tel: 08 - 22060, 25497, 32429 (IDD), Contact: 01 - 22821. Tlx: 22525 ITA CE. (RO) SWB — Rs. 400/-, DWB — Rs. 450/-, TWB — Rs. 550/-. Visa, Master, American Express Cards accepted. Meals: Western, Chinese and Eastern served at short notice. A-la-Carte available. Rs. 40/-, Breakfast, Rs. 70/-, Lunch, Rs. 80/-, Dinner, plus 10% SC. Overlooking lake with all basic amenities, shops 24 hours Room Service, Roof Top Restaurant and Bar, Room Service, Indoor Games, Swimming Pool, Dry Cleaning and Laundry, Hot and Cold Water, Taxi Service, Foreign Currency Encashment, Special Price Buffets and Barbeque. Walking distance from the Temple of the Tooth Relic.

**HOTEL TOPAZ (2\*)** — Anniewatte, Kandy. (R 70). Tel: 08 - 24150, 23062. General Manager: Mr. Saman P. Rajapakse. Tel: 08 - 24172, Cable: ELLANGOWAN Colombo, Tlx: 21121. Colombo Managing Agents: McLarens Holiday Resorts Ltd., 123, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 4. SWB — Rs. 500/- (RO), Rs 550/- — (BB), Rs. 635/- (HB), Rs. 710/- (FB); TWB — Rs. 575/- (RO), Rs. 675/- (BB), Rs. 845/- (HB), Rs. 995/- (FB), AC Rs. 700/- (RO). 10% SC. Special Honeymoon rates, Air Line discounts. American Express, Visa, Master Cards accepted. Night Club, Indoor games, Swimming Pool, Taxi Service, Shopping arcade. 05 minutes drive to Kandy Town. Three storeyed hotel sited serenely amidst beautiful landscape commanding breathtaking view of vast vistas extending as far as eye can see.

**HUNAS FALLS HOTEL LTD (2\*)** — Hunasgiriya Group, Elkaduwa. (R 29). Reservations: Colombo 20716 & 29964,

Hotel Elkaduwa 08 - 76402/3, Cable: HUNAS FALLS, Tlx: Colombo 21182. Manager Finance: Mr. M. Nadesan, Acting Manager (Hotel Operations): Mr. M. D. S. Fernando. (AC) APT — Rs. 450/-, STE — Rs. 750/-, SWB — Rs. 500/- (BB), Rs. 670/- (AI), DWB — Rs. 450/-, (RO), Rs. 550/- (BB), Rs. 890/- (AI). SC 10%. Group and Special Honeymoon Rates: Contact Hunas Falls Hotel Ltd. C/o. Ministry of State, "Transworks House", Lower Chatham Street, Colombo 1. Agency Commission 10% on room rate only. Check out 12 noon. American Express Cards accepted. Hotel situated in 18 acre mountainside of tea and spice garden, part of Hunasgiriya range 3,000 ft. above sea level. Swimming Pool, Tennis, Billiards, Fishing, Boating, Mountain walks, Jungle hikes. Tea factory, Spice garden, 3 hours from International Airport, 40 minutes from Kandy.

**JANAKI HOTELS (PVT) LTD. (2\*)** 40/1, Deveni Rajasinghe Mawatha, Kandy. (R 55). Tel: 08 - 24261 & International Direct Dialling 32069. Managing Director: Mr. G. P. H. Karunaratne, (RO) SWB — Rs. 500/- DWB — Rs. 550/-. Extra Bed Rs. 80/-, Breakfast Rs. 50/-, Lunch/Dinner Rs. 90/- 10% SC. All Rooms with Hot and Cold water, Balconies, Telephones, Piped Music, Swimming Pool, Conference/Wedding Reception Facilities, Well laid out Garden, Shopping Arcade, TV/Video Room, Laundry, Travel Counter, 3 hours from International Airport, 10 minutes from Kandy City. Surroundings predominated by Mahaweli River and overlooking historic location of Gannoruwa. (Rates not applicable for Perahera season).

**MAHAWELI REACH HOTEL (2\*)** — 35, Siyambalagastenne Road, Kandy. (R 50). Tel: 08 - 32062/3, Cable: "MAREACH" Kandy, Sri Lanka, Director/General Manager: Mr. Jayantha A. Panabokke. SWB — Rs. 600/- (RO), Rs. 655/- (BB), TWB — Rs. 600/- (RO), Rs. 710/- (BB). 10%. Situated beside the Mahaweli River. Rooms with Private Balcony overlooking the water. Residents Bar and Restaurant, Billiards, Swimming Pool, Torchlit Riverside Terrace, Spacious well laid out garden, Cottages with Room service, Money Exchange, Taxis, Tennis, Boating, Fishing, Helipad. American Express, Visa and Master Cards accepted. 3 hours from International Airport, 10

minutes from Kandy town.

**QUEENS HOTEL**— Dalada Veediya, Kandy. (R 100). Tel: 08-22121/32079. Cable: QUEENS Kandy. **Chief Executive** Mr. Joe Madawela. (RO) SWB—Rs. 300/-, TWB—Rs. 450/-, (BB) SWB—Rs. 350/-, TWB—Rs. 550/-, (FB) SWB—Rs. 500/-, TWB—Rs. 850/- plus 10% SC. Ballroom/Conference facilities. Four F & B outlets. Centrally situated beside Kandy Lake & Temple. Reservations also through Hotel Lanka Oberoi. Tel: 20001, Tlx: 21201.

**THE CITADEL**— 124, Srimath Kuda Ratwatta Mawatha, Kandy. (R 93). Tel: 08-25314/5, 32085. **General Manager/Director**: Mr. Ravi Gooneratne. Reservations: Hotel Management & Marketing Services Ltd., 130, Glennie Street, Colombo 2. Tel: 20862, 21101-10, 27206-8. (RO) (FIT) S or D—Rs. 600/-; (GIT) S or D—Rs. 550/-, Extra Bed Rs. 80/-, Breakfast Rs. 45/-, Lunch Rs. 80/-, Dinner Rs. 100/-, 10% SC. Situated beside the Mahaweli River. Rooms with Private Balcony overlooking the water,

Residents Bar and Restaurant, Swimming Pool, Telephone in Room with International Direct Dialling facilities, Pool, Torchlit River side Terrace, Spacious well laid out Garden, Billiard, Money Exchange, Taxis, Boating, Fishing. American Express, Visa and Master Cards accepted. 3 hours from International Airport, 10 minutes from Kandy town.

#### PAYING GUEST

**GALKANDA PRIVATE GUEST HOUSE**— 8, Galkanda Road, Annawatta, Kandy. **Contact**: Mr. Lavana B. Madurawe. Tel: 08-23779. (R 5 Double). (RO) TWB—Rs. 250/- to Rs. 300/-, SWB—Rs. 50/- less, (BB) SWB—Rs. 245/- to Rs. 295/-, TWB—Rs. 340/- to Rs. 390/-, (HB) SWB—Rs. 325/- to Rs. 375/-, TWB—Rs. 500/- to Rs. 550/-, (FB) SWB—Rs. 385/- to Rs. 435/-, TWB—Rs. 620/- to Rs. 670/-, 10% SC. Selective warm exclusive Guest Home, Excellent hotel facilities, Associate of Castle Hill. 1½ Km via George Silva Mawatha approach. Bus service.

#### RESTHOUSES

#### PERADENIYA RESTHOUSE

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## BOTANIC GARDENS

Sri Lanka has three beautiful and excellently situated Botanic Gardens in three climatic zones. The Royal Botanic Gardens at Peradeniya, is in the Central Hills, Hakgala Gardens in the mountain and more temperate zone, close to Nuwara Eliya, and Henarathgoda (or Gampaha Gardens) in the low-country. All these gardens have fine collections of exotic and indigenous flora. Together they provide spectacles of extraordinary beauty and absorbing interest for the serious botanist, nature lover and casual visitor.

#### ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS

**PERADENIYA**— 68 miles (109 km) from Colombo, 4 miles (6 km) from Kandy—dates from the 14th century reign of King Vikrama Bahu III. It earned its royal prefix because it was originally planned

as pleasure garden for Vikrama Bahu's Queen. A few ruins of the old Palace are still seen. Peradeniya was opened as a Botanic Garden in 1822 and was gradually extended to cover 147 acres (59.9 hec). The gardens are circled by the Mahaweli, Sri Lanka's longest river. Mean elevation 1,550 ft. above sea level, climate mild, average temperature 76° F (25° C), Average rainfall 90" distributed over 170 days.

Peradeniya is well known for its large number and variety of plants, ornamental, decorative, useful medicinal. More than 4,000 species include indigenous and introduced plants. Peradeniya

has one of the best collections of economic plants in the world and its is an important research centre for Asian flora. The Gardens is best known for its collection of orchids, easily the largest in Asia and for the many avenues of palms and great lawns. Don't miss the Orchid House, Cabbage Palm Avenues, Cook's Pine Avenue and Spice Gardens.

**HAKGALA BOTANIC GARDENS** – 6 miles (9 km) from Nuwara Eliya, begun in 1861 as an experimental station for Cinchona cultivation. Spread below Hakgala Rock, resembling an elephant's jaw from which the name is derived covers 55 acres (22.28 hec). Elevation 5,581 ft. above sea level. Average temperature 60.5°F (16°C). Average Rainfall 94.8" spread throughout the year.

Converted to ornamental Botanic Gardens in 1882, with exotic trees, shrubs and herbs known to thrive best in hill country and montane climatic zones. Excellent Rose Garden with one of the island's finest collection of roses. Also well known for rare fernery.

Including Giant Tree Fern of Sri Lanka. Lush foliage, lovely blooms and many walks taking one through planted shrubberies, shady and copses and over small streams.

**HENARATHGODA BOTANIC GARDENS** – Gampaha 20 miles (32 km) from Colombo. Begun in 1876 to receive original Para Rubber (*Hevea Brasiliensis*) plants sent through Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, England. Trees from original plantation still seen. Area 35 acres (14.16 hec).

Henarathgoda has a wide and varied collection of exotic palms, flowering trees and shrubs originating in many parts of the world, specially from tropical America, China, Java, Malaysia, Phillipines, Moluccas and India.

**Hours** – All Botanic Gardens are open daily from 0700 hours to 1800 hours.

**Admission** – Foreigners: Adults Rs. 15/-, Students Rs. 5/-.

**NB** – Cars Rs. 5/- All Vans, Lorries and Buses not allowed.

## THE HILL COUNTRY



Wherever good tea is drunk, the flavour of Sri Lanka's Hill Country will always be enjoyed, for this ruggedly beautiful terrain which rises from 3,000 ft. to beyond 8,000 ft. is the home of the world's best tea. The route to the hills – whether by road or rail – is a passage through range after range of tea-draped hills; through narrow passes beside deep ravines, over gushing streams. Temperatures drop with elevation and waterfalls create their own turbulent mist or cascade in the distance in beautiful scenes. Clouds float by you to lay a soft mantle over still unopened buds of tea. The air is mint-fresh, with the aroma of eucalyptus laced with that of fresh, green tea where spring is always in the air.

The Hill Country is sprinkled with colonial Hill Stations . . . built by the British planters who opened most of the region, first for coffee, then cinchona, and finally tea which conquered. Badulla, Bandarawela, Dikoya, Dimbula, Talawakelle, Bogawantalawa, all these and many more names are linked with the flavour of good tea.

### NUWARA ELIYA

180 Km FROM COLOMBO Digitized by Noolaham Foundation

The centre of the Hill Country is Nuwara Eliya (77 km. from Kandy). As you approach this town you are already in the embrace of a vast teandscape. You would have seen women plucking the "green gold" that gives the island its largest income, and the world its finest brew. Tea factories, in sharp white contrast to the neatly trimmed acres of green, would have passed by, some deep down in valleys and others perched on mountain ledges.

Of all the places in the old Empire where the British tried to re-create home, they came nearest to success at Nuwara Eliya. A whole English countryside has almost been transplanted. "Old English" homes, in styles ranging from Georgian to Queen Anne; gabled roofs, gardens with lawns and privet hedges; the Post Office with clockspire; Anglican Church with lych-gate, memorial plaque within and headstones in the church yard; the 18-hole golf course, replete with gorse, one of the most picturesque in the world and a challenge to many a champion;

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Trout streams; Parks with flowers that bloom in the English spring; A lake over which clouds often hover; and the Hill Club . . . with its hunting prints, stuffed fish and polished oak. Here is more than a little bit of England. Here is laid bare the nostalgia of empire builders.

From Nuwara Eliya you could trek up to Pidurutalagala, the island's highest peak. The climb gives little promise of the breathtaking panorama to be enjoyed on a clear, lucky day. The whole mountain vista lies at your feet . . . range beyond beautiful range. Six miles from town is Hakgala Botanic Gardens with its lovely fernery and rare rose collection (see Botanic Gardens). Within the city limits is Galways Land Sanctuary, harbouring a variety of bird life throughout the year. Horton Plains (29 km) is a nature reserve by itself. This is mostly untouched country; home of the bear monkey and many endemic Sri Lanka flowers. In the forests nearby, leopard and sambhur still roam, as do civet cat and several other species. At World's End lie flat to watch the sheer drop of more than 1,500 feet. Few more breathtaking sights could be recorded elsewhere.

Roads from Nuwara Eliya will lead you to most of the other hill stations, all in the tea country, but each with its own special interest for those seeking interests off-the-beaten track. When in the Hill Country don't fail to visit a tea plantation and factory. Learn the process of tea making and buy a factory fresh packet of B.O.P. There are many estate bungalows where planters will be delighted to invite you to tea or even stay the night over.

#### Golf

The Nuwara Eliya Golf Club Tel: 052 - 2835, offers temporary membership to tourists to play in their beautiful 6,250 yards, 18-hole golf course. Rates: Full Day - Rs. 225/-, Hire of Clubs - Rs. 75/-, Caddie fees - Rs. 40/- for 18 holes. Weekly - Rs. 1,000/-. Monthly - Rs. 2,500/-. Old and new balls to be bought outright. Other facilities - Bar and Catering, Billiards, Indoor Badminton, etc.



#### Adam's Peak

Long before tea, the mountains of Sri Lanka were known to the world

through Adam's Peak . . . that sacred mountain where three faiths have met for centuries. The Buddhist of Sri Lanka believe that the Buddha, on one of his visits to this island, placed his foot-print on the Peak. So the Sinhala name Sri Pada - the sacred Foot print. Hindus are firm in the belief that the foot-print on the summit is that of God Shiva hence the name Sivanadi Patham; meanwhile Muslims from the days of the Saracens hold to the belief that the foot-print at the peak is that of the first man, Adam, who came here first after being banished from Paradise. There are many other sub-beliefs as well attached to the indentation on the peak, (which was covered with a rock by a devout Sinhala Buddhist King many centuries ago). Some believe the peak to be the abode of the God Saman - and the annual pilgrimage of butterflies (Sinhala - Samanala) towards the Peak give it the other Sinhala name . . . Samanala Kande, the Butterfly Mountain. Some Eastern Christians believe the impression on the peak was caused by St. Thomas the Apostle of Christ, as he wept for his doubts.

The Adam's Peak festive season when pilgrims climb the sacred mountain to worship at the Peak commences December, Full Moon Poya Day. Special Bus and Train service will be available for pilgrims and others who wish to climb Adam's Peak during the season, which goes on till March. It is best to commence your climb at night to be in time for the glorious sunrise, a spectacle not to be missed.



#### RATNAPURA - CITY OF GEMS

On the fringe of the Hill Country, the capital of the provinces of Sabaragamuwa is Ratnapura . . . the fabled city of gems from the days of Sindbad, and the biblical lore of Solomon. For centuries Ratnapura has been the main supplier of gems from the Orient. Hardly a crown there is that has no gem from Ratnapura. Its name itself - unchanged through the ages - means the City of Gems. In and around Ratnapura, prospecting and mining goes on every day, by those who lure lady-luck, using age-old methods to pry out of the earth gems such Blue, Star and Yellow Sapphires, Cat's Eyes, Rubies, Alexandrites, Amethysts, Zircons, Topaz and Tourmaline.

A visit to Ratnapura, gem mine and the Gems Chamber — Gem Bank Gemmological Museum managed by Mr.

A. G. B. Amarasinghe at No. 6 Ehelepola Mawatha, Batugedera, Ratnapura is a must on any tour of the Hill Country.

## ACCOMMODATION - HILL COUNTRY

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### NUWARA ELIYA 180 Km.

**THE GRAND HOTEL** — Nuwara Eliya. (R 114). Tel: 052 - 2881 - 2887. Cables: 'GRAND'. General Manager: Mr. Harin de Costa, Deputy General Manager: Mr. Raju N. Veerasingham, Front Office Manager: Mr. Ravi Divitotawela. S — Rs. 400/-, D — Rs. 450/-, Tri — Rs. 500/- (RO) SC 10%. American Express Visa, Master, J.C.B., Diners Club, Golden Key, Gold Card, Cards accepted. Golf Club, Race Course, Tennis Club, Trout Fishing, Botanic Park within walking distance. 6 hours from International Airport, 5 minutes to Nuwara Eliya Town, 20 minutes to Railway Station by car.

**ST. ANDREW'S HOTEL (2\*)** — No. 10 St. Andrew's Drive Nuwara Eliya. (R31). Tel: 052-2445. Tlx: 21815 JETRA CE. Manager: Mr. Gemunu Karunaratne. (RO) S — Rs. 400/-, D — Rs. 500/-, TRI — Rs. 600/-, 10% SC. ½ km. from the town. 10 kms. from Nanu Oya Railway Station.

**WINDSOR HOTEL**, P.O. Box 1, Kandy Road, Nuwara Eliya. Rooms: 45 Double Rooms, 03 luxury apartments, 01 suite. Tel: 052/2.55.4-2.88.9-2.89.3. (RO) SWB — Rs. 500/-, TWB — Rs. 600/-, (BB) SWB — Rs. 550/-, TWB — Rs. 700/-, (FB) SWB — Rs. 750/-, TWB — Rs. 1100/-, Hot & Cold water, bay windows in rooms, indoor garden, T.V. Lounge, Laundry, Shopping, conference facilities, IDD, credit cards, choice of eastern & Western cuisine & beverages.

### BADULLA

### BANDARAWELA 197 km.

**REST HOUSE** — Bandarawela. (R 9). Tel: 057 - 2299 Bandarawela. Manager: Mr. M. A. S. Abeyratne. (BB) SWB — Rs. 250/-, DWB — Rs. 350/-

TRI — Rs. 500/-, 10% SC. Hot and cold water, Laundry, Radio, Television, Restaurant and Bar, Shopping arcade, Night Porter, Cosy Rooms, delightful scenery, 5 minutes from Bandarawela Town 4½ hour from International Airport.

### BELIHULOYA 160 km.

**BELIHULOYA REST HOUSE** — (R 10). Tel: 045 - 7200. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504 Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: Mr. W. K. Tilakasena. S — Rs. 200/-, D — Rs. 225/-, (RO); S — Rs. 240/-, D — Rs. 305/- (BB); S — Rs. 385/-, D — Rs. 595/- (AI), 10% SC. Located beside Belihuloya Stream flowing down from Horton Plains. Beautiful scenery, Restaurant and Bar facilities.

### DICKOYA 128 km.

**UPPER GLENCAIRN BUNGALOW** — Dickoya. (R 5). Tel: 0512 - 348, Cable: UPPER GLENCAIRN, Dickoya, Tlx: METAL 1111. Reservation Representative: Browns Tours Ltd., 481, Darley Road, Colombo 10. Tel: 595691, 92584, 98144. (RO) S or D — Rs. 300/-, Tri — Rs. 330/-, Breakfast Rs. 30/-, Lunch Rs. 65/-, Dinner Rs. 65/- plus 10% SC. 4 hours International Airport, 30 minutes from Hatton.

### ELLA 197 km.

**ELLA GAP TOURIST INN** — A charming young couple waits to meet and greet you making the "Inn" a home away from home. Typically Ceylonese spicy and delicious rice and curry is one dish you must not miss, and so too our own Western dishes, Hot and Cold water, attached Bath, Walking distance from Ella Railway Station. 13 km. from Bandarawela. Car available. (BB) S —

Rs. 235/-, D - Rs. 270/-, Tri - Rs. 355/-; (HB) S - Rs. 285/-, D - Rs. 370/-, Tri - Rs. 505/-; (FB) S - Rs. 335/-, D - Rs. 470/-, Tri - Rs. 655/- (AI). 5 Rooms. Contact Phone: 057 - 2628. **Mrs. Janaki Weeraratne**, Ella Gap Tourist Inn, Ella.

**ELLA REST HOUSE** - (6) 197 km. from Colombo. Tel: 057 - 2636. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: **Mr. V. P. Premasiri**. S - Rs. 200/-, D - Rs. 250/- (RO), S - Rs. 240/-, D - Rs. 330/- (BB), S - Rs. 385/-, D - Rs. 620/- 10% SC. Situated overlooking the Ella Group in beautiful hill country. Close to Rawana Falls. Ideal for relaxation in cool climate. Restaurant and Bar facilities.

#### **HORTON PLAINS 163 km.**

**ANDERSON LODGE** - (R 3) Rs. 45/- per person per day (resident), Rs. 100/- per person (non-resident), minimum charge for 5 persons. Rations and linen must be taken by visitors. Cook provided free. Tel: 33012, 33787. Department of Wild Life Conservation.

**FARR INN REST HOUSE** - Horton Plains. (R 8). 163 km. from Colombo. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: **Mr. B. P. Perera**. S - Rs. 200/-, D - Rs.

250/- (RO); S - Rs. 240/-, D - Rs. 330/- (BB); S - Rs. 385/-, D - Rs. 620/- (AI). 10% SC.

#### **KITULGALA (60 MILES) 96 km.**

**REST HOUSE KITULGALA** - (R 14). Tel: Kitulgala 28, Manager: **Mr. D. Gurusinghe**. Contact Tel: 23501/23504. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. S - Rs. 175/-, D - Rs. 200/- (RO); S - Rs. 215/-, D - Rs. 280/- (BB); S - Rs. 360/-, D - Rs. 570/- (AI). SC 10% Situated by the Kelani River location of the film "Bridge on the River Kwai", ideal for relaxation and comfort. 2 hours 30 minutes from International Airport, 30 minutes from Yatiyantota Town. Owned and operated by Ceylon Hotels Corporation.

#### **PUSSELLAWA 146 km.**

**PUSSELLAWA REST HOUSE** - (R 4). 146 km. from Colombo. Tel: Pussellawa 08 - 78397. Reservation Representative: Travel Bureau, Ceylon Hotels Corporation, 63, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 23501 & 23504, Tlx: 21196 HOTELCO CE, Cable: HOTELS Colombo. Manager: **Mr. L. G. Wijesiri**. S - Rs. 150/-, D - Rs. 175/- (RO), S - Rs. 190/-, D - Rs. 255/- (BB), S - Rs. 335/-, D - Rs. 545/- (AI). 10% SC.

#### **RATNAPURA 101 km.**

**MUNICIPAL RESTHOUSE** - (R 11). Tel: Ratnapura 052 - 2299.



### **TROUT FISHING IN SRI LANKA**

Fly fishing for trout at elevations of 5000 - 6000 ft. is available in Sri Lanka in the Nuwara Eliya District but is at present limited to small number of waters. Portswood Dam which is 6 miles away from Nuwara Eliya and the Horton Plains stream have now been stocked. It is proposed to stock the Kotmale Oya (Gorge Valley) and the Agra Oya (Diyagama stream).

The fishing is controlled by the Department of Wild Life Conservation and permits could be obtained from the Game Ranger of the Department of Wild Life Conservation at Horton Plains. The cost of a permit is Rs. 50/- for a resident and Rs. 250/- for non resident per day.

There are two bungalows in Horton Plains - Farr Inn Rest House, maintained

by Ceylon Hotels Corporation (Tel: 23501 and 23504), and a beautiful cottage-type bungalow, Anderson's Lodge, maintained by the Department of Wild Life Conservation (Tel: 33012, 33787).

Fishing in the Horton Plains, is permitted downstream below the Farr Inn. The fishing is fly only and a minimum size of 12" is imposed at Portswood Dam and 10" in the Horton Plains. Anglers should bring their rods, reels and lines with them. Some tackle is available for sale at Nimrods Ltd., 250, Galle Road, Bambalapitiya, Colombo 4. Andriesz & Co. Ltd. 34, Nuge Road, Peliyagoda, and at Cargills (Ceylon) Ltd., Nuwara Eliya.

# WILD LIFE

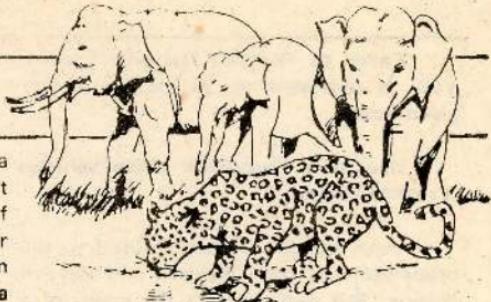
For its size and population, Sri Lanka has very wide extent of land set apart for National Parks, nearly 10 per cent of the total land area. There are two major National Parks — **Wilpattu** (176 km North of Colombo) and **Ruhunu or Yala** (305 km. South of Colombo). Both these National Parks are the home of elephant, leopard, deer, sambhur, wild buffalo, bear, crocodile and many other animals and reptiles. While Elephant is the lord at Yala — Wilpattu is more famous for leopard. Another National Park of importance is the **Gai Oya National Park**, Inginiyagala (289 km from Colombo via Kandy and Mahiyangana). This too has large herds of elephant and wild buffalo, sambur and deer are abundant. Leopard is seen occasionally. **Lahugalla** East Coast - 10 km. from Arugam Bay) is the haunt of a large herd of elephant, sometimes exceeding 50 in number. Best season July to October.

The island also has an abundance of bird-life. More than 400 species, of which about 160 migrate here to escape the rigours of the Northern Winter and for breeding. Peacock takes pride of place, but, the many other species include — Jungle Fowl, Painted Stork, Paradise Flycatcher, Hawk, Eagle, Painted Partridge, Brahminy Kite, Purple coot, Black-winged Stilt, Ceylon Lorikeet, Eastern Grey Heron — to name a just a few. Many of these birds could be observed at the National Parks. There are also two main bird sanctuaries — **Wirawila** (51 km. from Yala) and **Yala East National Park** for aquatic birds (40 km. from Yala). Migratory birds such as wild duck and Flamingo could also be observed at Hambantota, Bundala and Kalametiya in the South.

*Note: The Wilpattu Park is temporarily closed to visitors.*

## Park Bungalows

Visitors to National Parks could find accommodation in Park Bungalows maintained by the Department of Wild Life Conservation. All bungalows have



basic amenities; water on tap, refrigerators, toilet, cutlery, crockery and pressure lamps. Services of Bungalow Keeper and Assistant provided.

**Reservations:** Minimum of five persons (children under 12 years at half rate at Rs. 125/- per person per day. Bookings only through **Department of Wild Life Conservation, 40A, Galle Road, Colombo-6.**

**Hints to those who rent park bungalows** — Take your dry rations and linen. Take plenty of fresh fruit — pine-apple, papayas, banana, mango, etc. Vegetables, some drinking water, coke, soda and other carbonated drinks, liquor, sugar, eggs, bread, bacon, frozen or roast meat. Please note that once you are in the park you will have to travel several miles outside the park to reach the nearest town, and there too all your needs may not be found. Take a stock of fuel for your vehicle.

But just make sure nothing is found wanting at the other end. If you are touring on your own make sure to obtain all provisions from Colombo, or at least Galle or Matara (if travelling on the Southern route); Haputala or Bandarawela (if coming through the hills) and Ratnapura (if coming from the gem country). Those visiting Wilpattu should obtain supplies from Kurunegala, Puttalam or Anuradhapura. **Take plenty of Photographic film with you.**

All tourists who visit the National Park are required to pay a Park Fee and Vehicle Fee. This applies to those who rent park bungalows as well. Park fees: Rs. 100/- per person per day. Vehicle fees: Rs. 10/- per jeep (four-wheel drive vehicle).

**Entry to Ruhunu National Park — Yala, is restricted to 30 vehicles at any given time.**

**Use of a four-wheel drive vehicles is recommended.**

Your bungalow cook is used to the preparation of both Western and Eastern cuisine. But don't expect the menu of a five-star hotel.

**Casual Visitors** could avail themselves of conducted tours leaving Yala Park office and Wilpattu Park office at 6 a.m. & 3 p.m. for a 2½ hour tour of either park. The Park entry fee is Rs. 50/- per pax. Jeep hire for a pax of 5 is Rs. 625/- (not including park fees). Seat in a Mini-Coach at Yala is Rs. 140/- and Wilpattu Rs. 150/- (inclusive of park fee).

### **Hotels & Day Tours**

There are several hotels on the fringe of the National Parks (Wilpattu, Gal Oya) or in nearby towns, that arrange photo-safaris. If you are doing a day tour of the park it is best to hire vehicles provided by the hotels, or resthouses close to the park, or from recognised travel agents. Some travel agents specialise in Safari Tours.

**You are advised against hiring vehicles that are touted at the towns close to the parks or at hotel or rest-house lobbies. The "cheaper" rate will not result in a good bargain. You may be more certain of a break-down on the way, and the distance travelled will be less.**

### **WARNING**

Unauthorised drivers will not be permitted to take tourists into the park. The Park could only be entered in a vehicle of the Wild Life Department and with a uniformed guard.

Do not be deceived by jeep drivers who do not have the authority to drive you within the park.

These drivers will only take you on a detour on the periphery of the park, and thus the chances of seeing wild life are remote.

The average reasonable rate for a half-day tour of Yala is Rs. 450/- for five persons. Minimum distance covered within park should be 35 miles. A full day tour at Yala will cost around Rs. 700/- for five persons. Minimum distance covered within Park should be 70 miles. These fees will exclude entry and vehicle fees. If you are doing a full day tour be sure to pack a picnic lunch to be had on the banks of the Menik Ganga at Yala, or at Nelumvila or Kumbukvila at Wilpattu. Make sure that the vehicle you hire has four-wheel drive.

All visitors to the National Park must be accompanied by a Guide provided by the Department of Wild Life Conservation. You should not alight from your vehicle except at the places where it is permitted. Always obey and follow your tracker.

### **When you visit our National Parks, please observe the following rules.**

Wear sober clothing — khaki, green, brown. Avoid bright colours, especially white, yellow and red.

Be silent. Nothing scares wild animals more than the human voice. If you have to speak, keep your voice low. Remain quiet even when an animal has moved out of your sight.

Keep wrappings of cigarettes, films and other litter in the vehicle for disposal outside the park.

Insist that you be driven slowly. (Best speed 12 - 16 km per hour, maximum 24 km per hour). Fast moving vehicles drive animals into cover and unduly damage the tracks.

Do not leave your vehicle or even open the doors to see wildlife. This is forbidden and could be dangerous and will disturb the animals.

### **Camping**

For the more adventurous, camping under canvas at the National Parks will be an experience to remember. There are selected camp sites at the National

Parks. Those most recommended are **Kosgasankada** (Yala, National Park), and **Madametota**, (Yala, East National Park) where fresh water is available nearby.

There are no amenities at these camping sites. One has to carry all camping gear, cooking utensils, food, lamps, fuel, etc. Travelling to camp sites is essentially by four-wheel drive vehicle. Hiking is not allowed.

Campers, if lucky will have the experience of a visit to the campsite by an inquisitive bear or elephant. Such visits are usually not dangerous. Plenty of opportunity for bird watching. You could bathe and relax in the cool water of jungle rivers and streams which flow by these camp sites.

Those interested in camping in the National Parks can book the sites at the Head Office in Dehiwela Zoo premises and should make arrangements with specialised out-fitters who will provide entire camping gear, victuals, transport and experienced camp attendants. Inquire from your Travel Agent.

The Wild Life and Nature Protection Society of Ceylon has three bungalows outside the Sanctuaries at Wilpattu, Yala and Lahugala, with facilities for observing wild animals and bird life.

**Reservations — Wild Life and Nature Protection Society**, Chaitya Road, (Marine Drive), Colombo, Fort. Tel: 25248.

#### Accommodation

**RUHUNU NATIONAL PARK** —  
Entrance Fee Rs. 50/- per head.

**Park Bungalows** at Butuwa, Yala. Talgasankada, Heen Weva and Patanagala, Rs. 100/- per person per day. (2 rooms in each bungalow — Butuwa 3 rooms). Tel: 33012 & 33787.

**TISSAMAHARAMA REST HOUSE**  
— See page 72.

**SANASUMA HOLIDAY RESORTS LTD.** — Wirawila. (R. 50). Tel: 71-7472

**PIYANKARA TOURIST GUEST HOUSE** — Kataragama Road, Tissamaharama. (R 5).

**KATARAGAMA REST HOUSE** — (R 43). Tel: Kataragama 27.

**BROWNS SAFARI BEACH HOTEL**  
— (R 8). **YALA SAFARI BEACH HOTEL** — Yala, Tissamaharama. (R 50). Tel: 33145, 28842.

**Yala East National Park**  
**THUNMULLA & OKANDA PARK BUNGALOWS** — Rs. 100/- per person per day. (R 2). Tel: 33082 & 33787.

**Wilpattu National Park**  
**PARK BUNGALOWS** —  
Maradanmaduwa, Manikpola, Uttu, Kalivillu, Kokmottai, Penikevila and Manavila. Rs. 100/- per person per day. (R 2). In each bungalow Tel: 33012 & 33787.

**HOTEL WILPATTU** — Pahala-maraghawewa. (R 35). Tel: 24624.



# BUSINESS PORTFOLIO

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## INTRODUCTION TO OPPORTUNITY

While travellers interested in history and lore discover that Sri Lanka is one of the oldest cultures in Asia, businessmen have recently found that Sri Lanka is virtually the best place in Asia to set up a factory.

Actually this country is not new to trading and technology. Emperors and Moghuls, spread across from Rome through Arabia to Peking, sent their emissaries to trade in gems, spices, elephants and peacocks as way back as the early centuries B.C. Her vast artificial lakes, her awe inspiring ancient ruins, all bear testimony to engineering and constructional skills many centuries old.

Today, however, the country is discovering her skills anew, and is busy rebuilding her position as a new Centre of Trade in the Indian Ocean. The economy is being rapidly transformed from total dependency on tea, rubber and coconut exports to be a producer and exporter of manufactured goods. Sri Lanka's recent policies are specially intended to make this island a foreign investor's dream. Stringent import and exchange controls have been dismantled. Trade, finance and industry have been completely liberalised. Rare tax concessions are available and the democratically elected government assures the foreign investor complete security of investment.

Also it helps that the Island's central Indian Ocean location places her on all major shipping routes. The Port of Colombo now has modern container handling facilities. The country is served by 16 regional and international airlines, with a rapidly expanding air cargo service. The government has taken positive steps to spread the country's progress into a world banking centre.

Gems from Sri Lanka continue to earn global acclaim. The Gem trade has been modernised and gem auctions with international bidders participating have become a regular feature. Many other export products from the Free Trade Zone, as well as other centres of production are reaching consumers from shelves as distant as New York and Helsinki having weathered the strongest competition. All in all the climate for business in Sri Lanka is excellent and the

business traveller is now a "regular" in this country.

**Country** — Location between  $5^{\circ}5'$  and  $9^{\circ}6'$  North Latitude and between  $79^{\circ}41'$  and  $81^{\circ}53'$  East Longitude. Distance from Indian mainland 33 km at nearest point. Area 65,608 square kilo metres — 434 km long and 225 km at widest point. The Island has central mountainous region surrounded by flat lowlands. The highest peak, Pidurutalagala is 2,538 metres. The land is intersected by several rivers running radially from the mountainous area to the coast, providing excellent drainage.

**Climate** — Sharp differences in terms of rainfall. The wet zone or South Western region receives annual precipitation rising to nearly 5,000 mm. Some areas of the South-West at higher elevation record 1,270 to 1,520 mm of rain per month during monsoon. Annual rainfall in the Capital — Colombo is 2,240 mm. Overall islandwide averages per year vary from 1,020 to 3,840 mm. This region is largely watered by the South-West Monsoon which brings rain from May to August. The Dry Zone or North and East has much less rainfall with an average ranging between 1,000 to 1,500 mm. This region receives most of its rain from the North-East Monsoon from November till February. Some North-East hill-slopes receive about 1,270 to 1,520 mm. of rain per month.

**Temperature** — The average temperature in the lowlands range between  $25^{\circ}$  and  $30^{\circ}$ C. The land cools with rising latitude and at the mountain resort of Nuwara Eliya at 1,850 metres, temperature could be as low as  $10^{\circ}$ C.

**Population** — The latest published figures (Census of 1984) gives Sri Lanka a population of 15,599,000. The population density is 238 per square kilometre. Government actively encourages family planning with a view to arresting population growth which is around 3 per cent annually. Due to the high literacy rate there is greater receptivity to family planning than in many other Asian countries. The population distribution is irregular. The South-Western region having 70 per cent. In large parts of the country the population density is less than 200 per sq. km.

**Race** — Majority Sinhalese - 72% populating the South-Western, North-Western, Central and South-Eastern regions. The second large group the Tamils 20.5% mainly populating the North and Eastern regions and parts of Central region. The later are largely plantation workers of South Indian descent. Other racial groups include Moors, Malays, "Burghers" - descendants of Dutch and Portuguese settlers and scattering of Eurasians - descendants of British Settlers. The average population distribution is 22.4% Urban and 77.6% Rural.

**Financial Capital**— Colombo; Location Western sea board has a population of 602,000 with an additional daily floating population of approximately 400,000. All important business centres in the Island are located in Colombo or have their offices in the city. Colombo has a major port which has facilities for containerised cargo handling. These are being expanded to accommodate tankers measuring up to 60,000 cwt. The Colombo Fort has traditionally been the centre of business from the days of colonial rule. However, due to pressure of limited space, the business district of the city has been rapidly expanded since 1977, when liberal fiscal and economic policies were introduced. Although the internal tele-communication system leaves much to

be desired, businessman in Colombo will have little difficulty in communicating by telex or telephone with most business centres of East or West. In addition to the telex services of the Telecommunication Department (Overseas' Telecommunication Service, Duke Street, Colombo) the government has recently expanded telex facilities by permitting private telex services. Those setting up an office in Colombo could obtain telephones with International Direct Dialling facilities.

**Colombo Airport, Katunayake** — Location 31 km. from Colombo Fort — is the principal International Airport now served by 16 scheduled carriers and several Air Cargo Services. Facilities at the Airport have been greatly improved in the past two years with spacious terminals and easy customs clearance. Limousines and coach services from Airport to city and back could be hired at regular rates.

This section of the book has been specially developed to be of use to the business visitor in Sri Lanka, whether he be an investor, a buyer, a representative of a company marketing products in this region, or an entrepreneur with an open mind.

## GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

### Overall Trends.

In 1987, Sri Lanka's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is estimated to have increased by 1.5 per cent in real terms, compared with a growth of 4.3 per cent in 1986.

National Income Statistics 1985—1987

Item	Amount (Rs. Million)				Growth Rate	
	1985	1986*	1987*	1986	1987	
1. G.D.P. at Current Factor Cost Prices	... 148,321	163,713	177,731	10.4	8.6	
2. G.D.P. at Constant (1982) Factor Cost Prices	... 109,570	114,261	115,922	4.3	1.5	
3. G.N.P. at Current Factor Cost Prices	... 144,921	159,852	173,395	10.3	8.5	
4. G.N.P. at Constant (1982) Factor Cost Prices	... 106,741	111,565	113,307	4.5	1.6	
5. Mid Year Population ('000)	... 15,837	16,117	16,361	1.8	1.5	
6. G.N.P. per Capita						
(i) At Current Prices (Rs.)	... 9,151	9,918	10,598	8.4	6.9	
(ii) At Constant (1982) Prices (Rs.)	... 6,740	6,922	6,925	2.7	0.1	

\* Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka.

The Gross National Product (GNP) at current factor cost prices was Rs. 173.4 billion in 1987, an increase of 8.5 per cent over 1986. The implicit GNP deflator, an indicator of the overall price changes in the economy, rose by 6.8 per cent in 1987, compared with an increase of 5.5 per cent in the previous year.

The mid-year population of Sri Lanka in 1987 has been provisionally estimated at 16.361 million, which reflects a 1.5 per cent growth over 1986. Accordingly, per-capita GNP at current prices is estimated at Rs. 10,598 (US. \$ . 360). In real terms, the per-capita income is estimated to have increased marginally by 0.1 per cent, when compared with a 2.7 per cent growth in the previous year.

*(Source: Annual Report 1987 of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka)*

*\*The growth rate is based on a New Series of National Accounts with 1982 as the base year.*

*The selection of 1982 as the base year was influenced by two main considerations. First, the structural changes in the economy flowing from the radical changes in economic and financial policies adopted in 1977 had stabilised by 1982. Secondly, by 1982, a more upto date and qualitatively superior primary data base was available for certain production estimates, e.g. the results of the Central Bank Survey of Consumer Finances and Socio Economic Conditions 1981/82.*

### Balance of Trade 1985–1987

Rs. Million (SDR Million in brackets)

Year	Imports(a)		Exports(b)		Balance of Trade	
	Customs	Adjusted	Customs	Adjusted	Customs	Adjusted
1985 . . .	49,069	54,049	35,035	36,207	— 14,034	— 17,843
	(1,776)	(1,956)	(1,268)	(1,311)	(— 508)	(— 646)
1986 . . .	51,282	54,559	34,092	34,072	— 17,189	— 20,487
	(1,559)	(1,658)	(1,036)	(1,036)	(— 523)	(— 623)
1987(c)	59,750	60,517	39,861	41,133	— 19,889	— 19,384
	(1,568)	(1,588)	(1,046)	(1,080)	(— 522)	(— 509)

(a) Excluding Bullion and Specie Sources: *Customs Sri Lanka,*

(b) Includes re-exports: *Food Commissioner's Department,*

(c) Provisional *Ceylon Fertilizer Corporation and*

*other major importers of fertilizer,*

*Air Lanka Ltd.*

*Ceylon Shipping Corporation.*

**GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT AT 1982- 1987 Rupees Million**

Sector	1982	At Current Factor Cost Prices						At Constant (1982) Factor Cost Prices			
		1983	1984	1985	1986*	1987*	1983	1984	1985	1986*	1987*
1. Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	24,964	32,180	40,138	41,069	44,355	47,923	26,212	26,113	26,366	29,106	27,409
1.1 Agriculture	20,771	35,051	35,599	37,889	40,579	21,868	22,300	24,504	25,037	23,003	
1.1.1 Tea	3,869	6,401	5,263	4,608	5,889	2,309	2,681	2,759	2,723	2,750	
1.1.2 Rubber	770	983	1,092	1,164	1,247	876	876	851	856	765	
1.1.3 Coconut	3,263	3,654	3,990	3,342	2,219	3,475	2,992	2,513	3,828	3,935	2,967
1.1.4 Paddy	5,484	6,852	6,359	9,379	9,992	8,393	6,318	6,166	6,783	6,613	5,423
1.1.5 Other	8,836	11,752	15,209	16,445	19,823	21,607	9,384	10,062	10,283	10,910	11,098
1.2 Forestry	1,710	1,907	2,199	2,530	3,087	3,642	1,816	1,889	1,923	1,958	2,215
1.3 Fishing	2,483	3,163	2,888	2,940	3,379	3,702	2,528	1,924	1,939	2,111	2,191
2. Mining and Quarrying	2,238	2,798	3,153	3,288	4,155	4,927	2,443	2,449	2,486	2,615	3,112
3. Manufacturing	13,601	15,958	20,890	21,849	24,869	28,470	13,710	15,390	16,193	17,558	18,748
3.1 Export Processing**	2,846	3,915	6,105	5,646	5,481	6,325	2,715	2,983	3,222	3,225	3,340
3.2 Factory Industry	8,777	9,651	12,064	13,301	16,089	18,582	8,953	10,296	10,811	12,108	13,113
3.3 Small Industry	773	948	1,085	1,173	1,351	1,459	805	837	862	896	910
3.4 Other	1,205	1,444	1,636	1,729	1,948	2,104	1,237	1,274	1,298	1,329	1,385
4. Construction	7,959	9,807	11,180	11,640	12,272	13,020	8,039	8,030	8,070	8,191	8,338
5. Electricity, Gas, Water and Sanitary Services	1,089	1,428	1,633	2,042	2,252	2,346	1,161	1,239	1,313	1,406	1,448
6. Transport, Storage and Communication	10,666	12,554	15,499	16,554	17,911	18,663	11,281	12,437	12,969	13,377	13,538
7. Wholesale and Retail Trade	19,694	21,759	27,192	29,261	31,808	34,520	20,738	22,029	22,925	23,821	24,496
7.1 Imports	8,812	9,304	10,059	10,380	10,683	11,815	8,981	9,161	9,345	9,468	9,628
7.2 Exports	2,018	1,796	2,809	2,545	2,565	2,659	1,964	2,194	2,310	2,462	2,490
7.3 Domestic	8,864	10,659	14,324	16,326	18,560	20,046	9,793	10,674	11,270	11,891	12,378
8. Banking, Insurance and Real Estate	3,715	4,183	4,731	5,693	6,840	7,455	4,130	4,526	4,975	5,174	5,490
9. Ownership of Dwellings	3,250	3,696	3,958	4,162	4,578	4,904	3,315	3,381	3,432	3,497	3,550
10. Public Administration and Defence	2,899	4,100	5,322	6,376	7,945	8,501	3,786	4,165	4,432	5,274	5,435
11. Services (n.e.c.)	4,604	5,414	6,343	6,347	6,728	7,002	4,590	4,636	4,419	4,242	4,358
12. G.D.P.	94,679	113,878	140,039	148,321	163,713	177,731	99,375	104,395	109,570	114,261	115,922
13. Net Factor Income from Abroad	-1,958	-3,214	-3,401	-3,490	-3,861	-4,336	-2,936	-2,996	-2,829	-2,696	-2,615
14. G.N.P.	92,720	110,664	136,638	144,921	159,852	173,395	96,439	101,399	106,741	111,565	113,307

Sources: Central Bank Sri Lanka.

\*\* Provisional  
\*\* Tea, Rubber, Coconut Processing Only

Composition of Exports 1985-1987

Category	Value in Rs. Million					SDR Million				Percentage of Total Exports	
	1985	1986	1987(d)	1985	1986	1987	1985	1986	1987	1985	1986
1. Agricultural Exports											
1.1 Tea	19,026	15,764	17,437	689	479	458	52.5	46.3	42.4		
1.2 Rubber	12,003	9,253	10,654	435	281	280	33.1	27.2	25.9		
1.3 Coconut	2,566	2,622	2,929	93	80	77	7.1	7.7	7.1		
1.3.1 Kernel Products	3,093	2,389	2,140	112	73	56	8.5	7.0	5.2		
1.3.2 Other	2,383	1,609	1,423	86	49	37	6.6	4.7	3.4		
1.4 Minor Agricultural Products(a)	710	780	717	26	24	19	1.9	2.3	1.8		
14,295	1,500	1,714	49	46	45	3.8	4.4	4.2			
2. Industrial Exports (a) (b)											
2.1 Textile and Garments	7,960	9,629	12,897	288	293	339	22.0	28.3	31.4		
2.2 Petroleum Products	3,877	2,358	2,592	140	72	68	10.7	6.9	6.3		
2.3 Other	2,458	3,891	4,515	89	118	118	6.8	11.4	10.9		
3. Mineral Exports											
3.1 Gems	864	1,182	1,759	31	36	46	2.4	3.5	4.3		
3.2 Other	561	755	1,447	20	23	38	1.6	2.2	3.5		
4. Unclassified(c)	303	427	311	11	13	8	0.8	1.3	0.8		
Total Exports (b)	36,207	34,072	41,133	1,311	1,036	1,080	100.0	100.0	100.0		

(a) Selected items

(b) Adjusted.

(c) Includes re-exports.

(d) Provisional.

(e) Includes export of an aircraft.

Conversion  
1985 1 SDR = Rs. 27.63

1986 1 SDR = Rs. 32.90

1987 1 SDR = Rs. 38.10

Sources: Customs, Sri Lanka,  
Ceylon Petroleum Corporation.

### Foreign Trade 1979–1987

Year	Rupees Million			Index Numbers 1981 = 100					
	Exports* (f.o.b.)	Imports* (c.i.f.)	Balance of Trade	Volume		Prices		Terms of Trade (b)	
				All Exports	All Imports (b)	All Exports	All Imports (b)		
1979	15,286	22,560	-7,275	89	94	82	68	121	
1980	17,595	33,942	-16,347	95	111	92	86	107	
1981	21,043	36,583	-15,540	100	100	100	100	100	
1982	21,454	41,946	-20,492	105	100	98	104	94	
1983	25,096	45,558	-20,461	99	110	125	109	115	
1984	37,347	47,541	-10,194	116	114	160	114	140	
1985	36,207	54,049	-17,843	120	109	142	123	115	
1986	34,072	54,559	-20,487	128	124	126	114	111	
1987(a)	41,133	60,517	-19,384	130	127	146	129	114	

\* Adjusted data from 1980 onwards.

## PRODUCTS OF SRI LANKA

### Agricultural Produce

Rice, Tea, Rubber, Coconut, Cinnamon, Cardamom, Cloves, Pepper, Nutmeg, Maize, Coffee, Areca nuts (Betel nuts), Sesame Seed (Gingelly Seed), Cocoa, Tobacco, Betel Leaves, Papain, Cinnamon Leaf Oil, Cinnamon Bark Oil, Citronella Oil, Cashewnut, Fresh Vegetables and Fruits.

### Industrial Products

Steel, Cement, Machinery, Chemicals, Aviation and Marine Fuels, Petrol, Garments, Foot-wear, Leather Goods, Rubber Goods, Pharmaceuticals, Paper and Paper Products, Tyres, Refrigerators, Canned Fruits, Milk, Sugar and Fruit Juices, Synthetic and Cotton Textiles, Jewellery, Handicrafts, Furniture, Ceramic ware, Fertilizer, Cotton and Synthetic Yarns, Toys and Sports Requisites.

### Minerals

Precious and Semi-Precious Stones, Ilmenite, Graphite, Dolomite, Kaolin, Rutile Feldspar, Quartz, Mica, Monazite, Apatite, Industrial Clays, Limestone, Salt, Phosphate Rock, Silica and Peat.

### Gems

Sapphires, Rubies, Cats-Eyes, Alexandrites, Aquamarines, Garnets, Tourmalines, Zircons, Topaz, Spinel, Amethysts and Moonstones.

### Marine Products

Prawns, Shrimps, Lobsters, Crabs, Beche-de-mer, Live Tropical Aquarium Fish, Shark Fins, Fish Maws and Sea Shells.

### Timbers

Teak, Mahogany, Ebony and Satinwood.

**Value of Industrial Production 1983–1987  
(Current Prices)**

Category	1983	1984	1985	1986	Rs. Million 1987(a)
1. Food, beverages and tobacco	6,998	8,623	10,497	12,129	12,962
2. Textiles, wearing apparel and leather products	5,136	7,565	9,505	12,088	15,428
3. Wood and wood products (including furniture)	522	640	705	632	677
4. Paper and paper products	901	907	1,187	1,289	1,372
5. Chemicals, petroleum, coal, rubber and plastic products	11,888	14,328	13,104	11,088	13,477
6. Non metalic mineral products (except petroleum and coal)	1,468	1,829	1,854	2,053	2,156
7. Basic metal products	302	199	123	281	307
8. Fabricated metal products, machinery and transport equipment	1,129	1,456	1,592	1,757	2,006
9. Manufactured Products not elsewhere specified	90	106	125	136	155
Total	28,434	35,653	38,692	41,453	48,540

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka.

### ELECTRIC POWER

Installed capacity	...	mW.	1,138.25
Hydro	...	"	868.25
Thermal	...	"	270.00
Units generated	...	Mn. kWh	2,707.6
Hydro	...	"	2,177.5
Thermal	...	"	530.1
Voltage			230 A.C. (Domestic) 440 3-phase 50 Hz. (Industrial)

### INVESTMENT PROMOTION ZONES

#### The Greater Colombo Economic Commission

The G.C.E.C. is the Authority for the Investment Promotion Zone of Sri Lanka. It is a completely autonomous body with wide powers to waive red tape and smoothen the way for speedy and effective operation within the area.

Sri Lanka's first Investment Promotion Zone (Free Trade Zone) was set up in 1978 at Katunayake, adjacent to Sri Lanka's International Airport. It is 29 km from Colombo and occupies an area of 500 acres. Tax exemptions and other concessions such as duty free imports are available for investors.

The investor looking for new outlets for his capital and new plant locations will do well to examine conditions in the 'Zone'.

Among the countries whose investors are operating in the Zone are: U.S.A., U.K., Hongkong, Federal Republic of Germany, Norway, India, South Korea, Dubai, Australia, Switzerland, Netherlands, Thailand, Singapore, Japan and Iran.

## Investment Promotion Zone

The Greater Colombo Economic Commission (GCEC) approved 31 projects in 1987, bringing the total number of projects approved to 252 by the end of 1987. Of these, 138 projects had signed agreements with the GCEC to set up industries. A total of 70 enterprises were in commercial production within the Katunayake Investment Promotion Zone (KIPZ), while 21 enterprises were in production outside the KIPZ. By the end of the year, 5 enterprises were in commercial production in the Biyagama Investment Promotion Zone. Of the projects in operation 41 were engaged in the production and export of ready made garments and related items.

The projects approved by the GCEC in 1987, covered the processing of cashew, tobacco, fruits and vegetables; cutting and processing of diamonds and gems; production of caps and hats, garments, canvas bags, wood carving, activated carbon, technically specified rubber, precision moulds, components for bicycle frames, fishing gear and accessories, brooms and brushes, radio beacons, optical lenses, stuffed soft toys, cosmetics and artist brushes, foliage flowers and cut flowers, data processing packages, assembling of radio and television sets and corded and cordless telephones.

Export earnings from GCEC exports in 1987, amounted to Rs. 7,731 million (SDR 203 million) which was 43 per cent higher than in 1986 in Rupee terms. In SDR terms, it reflected a 22 per cent increase. As in the previous year, nearly 80 per cent of the export earnings came from textiles and ready made garments.

## Investment Promotion Zone—Employment and Export Earnings 1986—1987

Category	1986		1987(a)	
	Employ- ment (End Dec.)	Gross Export Earnings (f.o.b.)	Employ- ment (End Dec.)	Gross Export Earnings (f.o.b.)
	Rs. Mn.		Rs. Mn.	
1. Food beverages and tobacco	471	38.8	641	144.7
2. Textiles wearing apparel and leather products	33,937	4,369.8	38,343	6,100.1
3. Wood and wood products (Including furniture)	24	1.3	56	4.0
4. Chemicals, petroleum, coal, rubber and plastic products	1,655	287.1	1,649	262.0
5. Non-metallic mineral products (except petroleum and coal)	1,648	210.8	2,132	317.4
6. Fabricated metal products, machinery and transport equipment	149	79.7	435	176.7
7. Products not elsewhere specified	3,237	199.7	3,683	444.8
8. Services(b)	493	208.5	534	281.8
Total	41,614	5,395.7	47,473	7,731.5

(a) Provisional.

Source: Greater Colombo Economic Commission.

(b) Excluding "Air Lanka Ltd".

## Investment Outside the Investment Promotion Zone

In 1987, the investment momentum continued in the industrial sector. Local Investment Advisory Committee (LIACs) approved 364 projects, compared with 321 projects in the previous year. The total envisaged investment in approved projects amounted to Rs. 530 million, with an employment potential of 14,594 persons.

Foreign Investment Advisory Committee (FIAC) approved 41 industrial projects in 1987, the same number of projects approved in the previous year. These projects envisaged a total investment of Rs. 672 million, with a foreign component of Rs. 190 million. Of these, ten projects were in the textiles and garments sector. The total employment potential was estimated at 5,037 persons.

The Greater Colombo Economic Commission (GCEC) approved 31 projects in 1987, compared with 10 projects in 1986. The total investment potential of these projects was estimated at Rs. 812 million, with a foreign component of 592 million. The total employment generation was estimated at 8,970 persons. As at end of 1987, the GCEC had approved 252 projects; of which 138 had signed agreements with the GCEC to set up industries.

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## Investment Protection Agreements

Investment Protection Agreements have been entered into by the Government of Sri Lanka with the following countries. USA (a fresh agreement will be signed shortly), Federal Republic of Germany, U.K., (extended to Hong Kong), Singapore, South Korea, France, Romania, Switzerland, Japan, Sweden, Canada, Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union and Netherlands. An agreement has been signed with Malaysia and will be ratified shortly. Agreements signed with Norway, Finland, Denmark and China. An agreement has been signed with Italy and will be ratified shortly.

## DOUBLE TAXATION RELIEF

Sri Lanka has entered into agreement for the avoidance of double taxation with India, Sweden, Denmark, Federal Republic of Germany, Norway, Japan, Pakistan, Malaysia, Czechoslovakia, United Kingdom, Singapore, France, Netherlands, Finland, Poland, Switzerland, German Democratic Republic, South Korea, Canada, Romania, Yugoslavia and Belgium. An agreement has been signed with USA and is awaiting ratification.

The agreements cover among other things, income from business profits, interests and royalties, wages and salaries. These mutually beneficial provisions of the treaties for foreign and Sri Lankan Companies should be an attractive incentive for foreign investors from these countries.

INDUSTRY

Investment Approvals in Industry within Greater Colombo Economic Commission 1986 - 1987

### \* Provisional

## INDUSTRY

### Investment Approvals in Industry Outside Greater Colombo Economic Commission 1986–1987

Category	Number of Units				Foreign Investment (Rs. Mn.)				Total Investment (Rs. Mn.)				Employment Potential (Nos.)			
	1986	1987*	1986	1987*	1986	1987*	1986	1987*	1986	1987*	1986	1987*	1986	1987*	1986	1987*
	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC	FIAC	LIAC
1. Food, beverages and tobacco	4	3	19	48	5	85	52	294	49	107	108	1,037	775	775	2,925	
2. Textiles, wearing apparel and leather products	13	10	80	94	36	46	265	66	97	94	2,841	2,452	4,272	6,572		
3. Wood and wood products (including furniture)	3	3	89	79	2	3	15	15	33	23	429	129	1,273	947		
4. Paper and paper products																
5. Chemicals, petroleum, coal, rubber and plastic products	6	5	75	71	25	15	101	39	177	115	644	317	1,941	2,025		
6. Non-metallic mineral products (except petroleum and coal)	2	5	7	13	2	14	4	49	10	19	80	348	247	369		
7. Basic metal products																
8. Fabricated metal products, machinery and transport equipment	6	8	43	52	29	17	141	136	33	159	1,143	452	933	1,632		
9. Manufactured products (n.e.s)	7	7	8	7	31	10	66	73	1	13	322	302	218	124		
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>5,567</b>	<b>5037</b>	<b>9,659</b>	<b>14,594</b>		

\* Provisional

Sources:

Foreign Investment Advisory Committee (FIAC)

Local Investment Advisory Committee (LIACs)

## Trade and Investment Promotion Offices Abroad

### Denmark

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1620 Copenhagen V  
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## Addresses Invaluable to the Businessman

**Foreign Investment Advisory Committee (Non Free Trade Zone Projects)**, International Economic Corporation Division, Ministry of Finance and Planning, 1st Floor, Room No. 120, Galle Face Secretariat, Colombo 1. P. O. Box 1689. Tel : 28367, 26286.

**Greater Colombo Economic Commission (Authority for Free Trade Zone Projects)**, No. 14, Sir Baron Jayatilleka Mawatha, Colombo 1. P. O. Box 1768, Cables : ECONCOM Colombo, Tlx : 21332 ECONCOM CE, Tel : 34403 - 5, 35407 - 9, 35027.

**The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce** — 127, Lower Chatham Street, P. O. Box 274, Colombo 1. Tel : 22084, 36444 & 21745 - 6 - 7.

**National Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka** — 2nd Floor, YMBA Building, Main Street, Colombo 1. P. O. Box 1375. Tel : 25271, 547412

**Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry** — P.O. Box 2015, 220, Deans Road, Colombo 2. Tel: 599530.

**National Chamber of Industries** — No. 20, 1st Floor, Galle Face Courts 2, Colombo 3. Tel: 29038.

**Sri Lanka Export Development Board** — 310, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 573044, 573042.

**Sri Lanka Export Credit Insurance Corporation (SLECIC)** — 278/5, Union Place, Colombo 2. Tel: 22806, 547508 - 9.

**Sri Lanka State Trading (Consolidated Exports) Corporation** — 68/70, York Street, Colombo 1. Tel : 25167 - 8, 26981 - 3.

**Sri Lanka Business Development Centre** — Galle Face Court 2, 41/22, Sir Mohamed Macan Markar Mawatha, Colombo 2. Tel : 25610, 34952.

### For Research and Analytical Facilities :

**Ceylon Institute for Scientific and Industrial Research (CISIR)** — 363, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7. Tel : 93807.

**Industrial Development Board (IDB)** — Colombo Regional Office, 33 Nawa Nuga Road, Paliyagoda. Tel: 530008.

**The Bureau of Ceylon Standards** — 53, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 3. Tel : 26051.

## BANKING FACILITIES

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The majority of the Commercial Banks now operate Foreign Currency Banking Units, offering off-shore Banking facilities to all non-residents and GCEC Investors.

## Below is a list of some leading Commercial Banks operating in Sri Lanka

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**COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON LTD.** — "Commercial House" 21, Bristol Street, P. O. Box 856, Colombo 1. Tel: 545010 to 545017, 549888, 549889. Managing Director: Mr. E. Gunatunga. Tel: 547516. City Office: 28193 to 28195. Telephone Branch Offices: Kandy — 08 - 23217, Galle — 09 - 3257, Jaffna — 021 - 22176, Matale — 0662 - 485, Matara — 041 - 2819, Galewela — 265, Wellawatte — 586097, Kollupitiya — 26174, Kotahena — 23471, Negombo — 031 - 2217, Hikkaduwa — 09 - 3397, Hingurakgoda — 027 - 6395. Offers comprehensive Banking Services, both domestic and foreign. Officers to be contacted by businessmen. Managing Director: Mr. E. Gunatunga. Tel: 547516. Asst. General Manager (International & Credit): Mr. M. R. V. De Almeida. Tel: 22240. Manager (Foreign Branch): Mr. W. R. de Silva. Tel: 36715.

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### INTERNATIONAL BANKS

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**CITIBANK, N. A.** — 67, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 7. Tel: 547316 - 8; 549061, 33849.

**DEUTSCHE BANK (ASIA) AG** — Colombo Branch, 86, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 547062 - 7 (Gen), 548060 (Forex), Tlx: 21506 EURAS CE.

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**EUROPEAN ASIAN BANK** 86 1/1, Galle Road, Colombo 3. Tel: 547067.  
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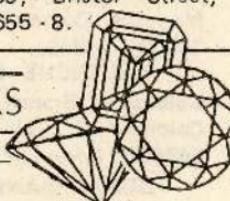
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**MIDDLE EAST BANK LTD.** — 98, Chatham Street, Colombo 1. Tel: 548764 - 6.

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**CEYGEMS INTERNATIONAL** — 562, Peradeniya Road, Kandy. Tel: 08 - 25512. Nature of Business: Gems and Jewellery, Consultant Gemmologist and Professional Collector. Proprietor: Mr. A. G. B. Amarasinghe, B.A., Dip. InCr., LIT (Cey), FGA (G.B.).

**HEMACHANDRA BROTHERS** — (Estd. 1938). 229, Galle Road, Colombo 3 Tel: 25147, Cable: PLATINUM, Branch: Hotel Taprobane, 4, York Street, Colombo 1. Tel: 21921. Managing Partner: Mrs. J.I. Hemachandra. Nature of Business: Manufacturing Jewellers and Gem Merchants, Exporters of Jewellery

**STANDARD CHARTERED BANK** — 17, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1. P. O. Box 27, Tel: 26671 - 4, Tlx: 21117, Cable: STANCHART. Group with over 2,000 branches in 60 countries, throughout the world.

**STATE BANK OF INDIA** — No. 16, Sir Baron Jayatilake Mawatha, Colombo 1. Tel: 26133 - 4 - 5, 23856, (F.C.B.U. — 547166).

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## INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WITH REPRESENTATIVES IN SRI LANKA

### WORLD BANK —

International Monetary Fund

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### WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

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## SOME INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES OPERATING IN SRI LANKA

Among the branches, subsidiaries, affiliates or joint ventures of International companies already operating in Sri Lanka are the following —

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## AIRLINE SERVICES

Scheduled International services through Sri Lanka are operated by Air Lanka, Aeroflot, British Airways, Emirates, Gulf Air, Indian Airlines, K.L.M., Korean Air, Kuwait Airways, Pakistan International Airlines, Royal Nepal Airlines, Saudia, Singapore Airlines, Swissair, Thai International Airways and U.T.A. French Airlines.

### **Passenger Charters**

The following airlines operate passenger charters to Sri Lanka — Balair, Condor, Finnair, Japan Airlines, L.T.U., Sterling Airways and Yugoslavian Airways.

### **Cargo Charters**

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### **Domestic Air Services**

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## AIRPORTS

### **International Airport**

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### **Domestic**

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## SHIPPING SERVICES

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## SEAPORTS

### Colombo

The main Sri Lankan Port is Colombo. It has a water area of 225 hectares, 18 alongside berths, a maximum draught of 12 metres, 10 stream berths and handles over 90% of the seaborne trade. It is considered as one of the most efficient and well managed Ports in South Asia.

A container terminal 425 metres long with a draught of 12 metres, equipped with gantry cranes capable of serving vessels up to and including third generation container vessels is now in operation. Another new container terminal 300 metres long, also with a draught of 12 metres is in operation and a third berth, 330 metres long, suitable for fourth generation container vessels has come into operation.

At present over 60% of the export cargo is containerised. Many private organisations operate Container Freight Yards outside the port area.

There are also facilities for handling "LASH" and "Ro-Ro" vessels. \*

The Port of Colombo is now a major transhipment base with feeder services to ports in the Indian sub-continent, and the East African region.

### Trincomalee

Considered as one of the finest natural harbours in the world, this port has a water area of 2,023 hectares and a draught that can accommodate the largest ships with ease.

Used by the British Admiralty to berth the Far Eastern Fleet during World War II, the harbour provides ample space for lay up ships and tankers.

### Galle

This Port off the South Western Coast can accommodate about 5 vessels at stream berths and two small vessels at alongside berths.

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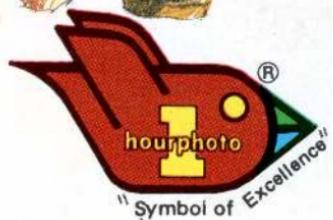
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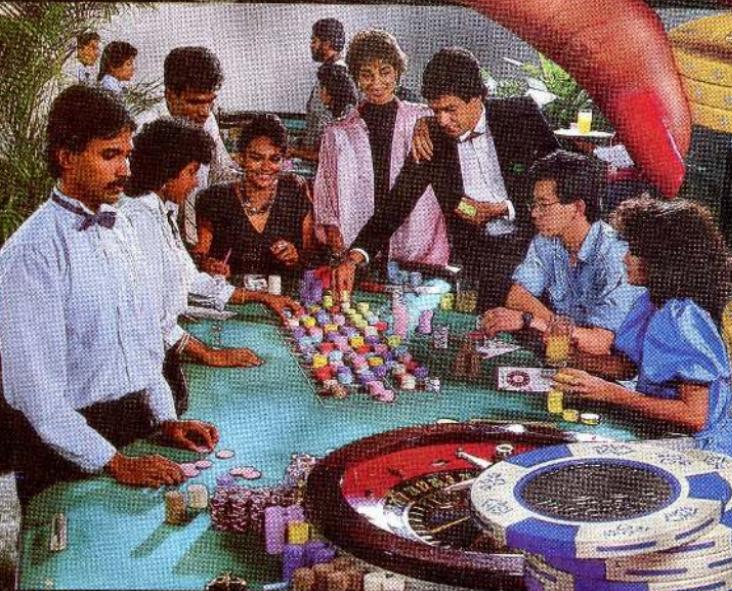
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