Reefs Edge: A Repose By The Ocean

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The Snapper Restaurant illuminated to create the perfect ambience

The sound of the crashing waves lulled the weary mind as the eyes followed the spray of white droplets that rose and fell to the rhythm of the waves… Afar the Colombo skyline loomed adding to the already breathtaking panorama of Reefs Edge Resort, an ideal hideaway complete with soothing views, scrumptious dishes and most of all a relaxing atmosphere!

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Situated in the small fishing village of Uswetakeiyawa in Wattala, a mere 20 minute drive from the Bandaranaike International Airport, Reefs Edge Resort lay snuggled in a cosy setting imparting an inviting expanse to those who wish to indulge in a restful repose. Deriving its name from the coral reef that extends from Uswetakeiyawa to Pamunugama, the exterior and the interior of the Resort exudes the sand, ocean and the reef in its art and decor, sketching an enchanting harmony between the natural and the built environment. Located on either side of the main

road where one side accommodates the banquet hall and the other all other facilities, the Resort is spaciously spread across an extent of more than ten acres.

As one enters the Resort through the lobby area, the glimpse of the ocean beyond entrances and calls one to first experience the unfolding beauty. Green manicured lawns, shady coconut trees, comfy cane chairs arranged on a small platform and the sea that glimmers turquoise in the sun create an alluring view while the pool located to the side, a little ways away, entices one to immerse in the cooling waters to seek respite from the warm weather.

Reefs Edge has 23 rooms in total, are divided into five categories—Standard, Superior, Deluxe, Loft and The Suite. All except the standard rooms, have balconies that overlook the ocean. Arrayed with a myriad of amenities to ensure the utmost comfort of each and every guest, the rooms incorporate soft tones with darker ones creating an eye-catching space that relaxes the mind. For those who look to unwind even further, the Resort accommodates a spa, courtesy of Spa Ceylon, that provides the best of age old Sri Lankan Ayurveda therapies amidst a contemporary setting. And for those who do not wish to depart from their fitness schedule even while travelling can avail themselves of the gymnasium at the Resort.

The main restaurant of Reefs Edge, The Snapper, situated facing the ocean with both an inside and outside seating area, specialises in seafood dishes amongst other delectable international fusion style cuisines. While breakfast is served buffet style, lunch and dinner is à la carte, presenting more of a fine dining experience where among the signature dishes, The Pan roasted fillet of Red Snapper and Negombo Jumbo Prawns stand out as the most popular. Further, the High Tide Bar that comes with a fully stocked bar and a mixologist that whips up delicious cocktails and mocktails and The Plunge, the pool bar, for refreshing beverages wrap up the gastronomical journey at the Resort. However, for those who require a snack outside the restaurant hours or want to enjoy a private dining setting in the comforts of their own rooms, 24/7 room service is available. Reefs Edge is also ideal as a space for weddings, conferences and corporate functions as The Grand Ark, the magnificent banquet hall, equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, provides the perfect backdrop with the ability to accommodate nearly 250 guests.

For those who love to explore and keep active, the Resort offers sports such as table tennis, beach volleyball, carrom, board games, and travel expeditions such as paint-balling in Seeduwa, Colombo city tour, boat riding along Hamilton Canal, a tour covering Negombo, a trip to the Muthurajawela Sanctuary and to Kalpitiya.

Further, the staff at the Resort is well trained and pays much attention to detail to ensure that all guests enjoy a hassle free stay, be it for pleasure or business.

Fusing comfort, convenience and tranquillity in one bundle, Reefs Edge grants a perfect escape from the hustle and bustle of the city where one is bound to luxuriate in a soothing interlude that makes one come back for more.

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