

# Upgrading the British Governor's residence

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A British Governor's residence forming the core of the Mount Lavinia Hotel has expanded in size and style to the sprawling colonial palace it is today. The planned upgrading is focused on the accommodation and comfort of the guests, the overall scope of the project will encompass public spaces of the hotel like the lobby, entrance, and innovative food and beverage ideas which are on the drawing board.

"We are delighted to announce that refurbishment plans to retain the old world charm and imperial elegance of yesteryear combined with the most up to date facilities of a modern heritage resort that any discerning traveller might ask for, are already underway," states Anura Dewapura, General Manager Mount Lavinia Hotel.

Described as being "handsomely built, laid out in mahogany and calamander wood", the mansion, houses white columns, polished wooden floors, intricately carved wood ceilings and wide windows open to the sea breezes, housing 226 exceptionally furnished and equipped rooms and suites. 200 years after Sir Thomas Maitland fashioned his 'house in the country', the Mount Lavinia Hotel continues today in the same style and elegance, attracting many visitors from all over the globe, and creating a very romantic getaway.